

**MA 1st Semester Examination, 2009**

**SOCIOLOGY**

*( Modern Sociological Theory )*

PAPER—SOC-1103

*Full Marks : 40*

*Time : 2 hours*

Answer **all** questions

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks*

GROUP — A

[ *Marks : 20* ]

1. Answer any *one* of the following : 10 × 1

(a) What are the main postulates of Radcliffe Brown's structural functionalism ?

*( Turn Over )*

(b) Narrate the concept of 'Pattern Variables' as suggested by Talcott Parsons.

2. Answer any *two* of the following : 5 × 2

(a) Discuss, in short, the basic principles of Neo-functionalism of Jeffery Alexander.

(b) What are the elements of sociological theory ?

(c) Explain the concept of 'manifest' and 'latent' functions.

GROUP – B

[ Marks : 20 ]

3. Answer any *one* of the following : 10 × 1

(a) Critically examine George Homan's, concept of 'Exchange Behaviourism'.

(b) Define ICA. Discuss, following Dahrendorf how conflict arises within ICA.

4. Answer any *two* of the following : 5 × 2

(a) What are the basic principles of 'Randall Collins' conflict theory.

(b) Discuss, in short, the exchange theory of Claude Levi-Strauss.

(c) How Peter Blau has explained exchange behaviour in social organisation ?

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