

M.A. 1st Semester Examination, 2011

SOCIOLOGY

(Modern Sociological Theory)

PAPER—SOC-103(Gr.-A + B)

Full Marks : 50

Time : 2 hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary

GROUP – A

[Marks : 20]

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

(a) Narrate the main postulates of Malinowski's absolute functionalism. What are the positive aspects of Malinowski's theory ?

(b) Discuss Parsons' views of social system.

(Turn Over)

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

(a) Discuss, in brief, the elements of sociological theory ?

(b) What are the major arguments of Radcliffe -Brown's structural functionalism ?

(c) Write a short note on Neo-Functionalism.

GROUP – B

[Marks : 20]

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

(a) Narrate the basic approach of Randal Collins' conflict theory. Discuss in this context, the conflict principles developed by him.

(b) Discuss the exchange propositions developed by George Homans. Why, according to him, these are known as psychological ?

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

(a) Point out the differences between the conflict theories of Marx and Dahrenderf.

- (b) What are the positive aspects of conflict in Coser's theory ?
- (c) Mention the fundamental exchange principles as suggested by Levi-Strauss.

[*Internal Assessment* : 10 Marks]
