

# **B.A. (Sociology), Semester-II**

## **PAPER-II**

### **INDIAN SOCIETY: STRUCTURE AND CHANGE (Discipline Specific Course)**

#### **1. Perspectives on the study of Indian society:**

- a) Indological/Textual – Manu, Dumont, Ghurye
- b) Structural-Functionalism – M.N. Srinivas, S.C. Dube
- c) Marxist Perspective: DP Mukherjee, A.R. Desai,
- d) Civilization Approach: NK Bose, Surajit Sinha
- e) Subaltern Perspective: Phule, BR Ambedkar, David Hardiman

#### **2. Historical Mooring of the Indian Society**

- a) Traditional Hindu Social Organisation and Vedic Indian Society- Ashrama Dharma, Pursharthas
- b) Emergence of Buddhism, Advent of Islam and Europe Colonization
- c) Cultural Assimilation and Unity in Diversity in India

#### **3. Social Structure**

- a) Rural and Agrarian Social Structure
- b) Caste System: Perspectives on the study of caste systems, Features of caste system. Untouchability - forms and perspectives.
- c) Tribal communities in India
- d) Social Classes in India: Agrarian Class Structure, Industrial Class Structure. Middle classes in India.
- e) Family, Marriage and Kinship in India.
- f) Religious Compositions in India –Communalism, Social Tensions, Religious Revivalism, Problems of Religious Minorities.

#### **4. Social Change in India**

- a) Vision of Social Change in India: Idea of Development Planning and Mixed Economy - Constitution, Law and Social Change - Education and Social Change- Green Revolution and Social Change
- b) Industrialisation and Urbanisation
- c) Social Movements in Modern India: Peasant, Tribal, Backward Class, Dalit and Women

#### **5. Challenges for Social Transformation:**

- a) Crisis of Development: Displacement and Environmental Issues – Question of Rehabilitation and Sustainability.
- b) Social Problems in India: Poverty, Violence against women, Caste and Ethnic Conflicts, Illiteracy and Disparities in Education, Unemployment and Youth Unrest, Corruption etc

### **References:**

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5. Dr. Ram Ahuja : Society in India, Rawat Publishers
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8. Yogender Singh : Indian Sociology: Social Conditioning and emerging concerns, Vistaar Publications.
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