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**FIRST SEMESTER MA SOCIOLOGY (REGULAR) EXAMINATION,
JANUARY 2025
(2024 Admissions)**

SO 514-A: INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGICAL IMAGINATION

Time 3 hours

Max: 75 Marks

Nos.	Part A: Answer ALL Questions (Fill in the blanks/ Multiple choice questions) Each question carries 1 mark	Course Outcome	Blooms Level	Marks
Q1	Which of the following best defines the 'Sociological Imagination'? a) The ability to see the connection between personal troubles and social structures. b) A method for analyzing historical texts. c) A framework for economic policy analysis. d) A theory about bureaucratic structures.	CO3	Remember	1
Q2	According to Mills, the bureaucratic ethos leads to: a) Enhanced intellectual creativity. b) An erosion of critical thinking and individuality. c) Greater flexibility in organizational systems. d) Improved communication between individuals.	CO3	Remember	1
Q3	The idea of Formalistic Approach was put forward by a) Emile Durkheim b) George Simmel c) Max Weber d) C. Wright Mills	CO1	Remember	1
Q4	Which philosophical view holds that all knowledge originates from or is derived through sensory experience? a) Empiricism b) Universalism c) Relativism d) Idealism	CO1	Remember	1
Q5	Who is widely recognized for advancing and popularizing the concept of Public Sociology? a) C. Wright Mills b) Max Weber c) Michael Burawoy d) Émile Durkheim	CO5	Remember	1
	Part B: Answer any FIVE out of EIGHT questions in not more than 50 words each			
Q6	Modernity	CO1	Understand	2
Q7	Abstracted Empiricism	CO1	Understand	2
Q8	Rationalism	CO1	Understand	2
Q9	Sociology and common sense	CO4	Understand	2
Q10	Professional Sociology	CO5	Understand	2
Q11	Critical Sociology	CO3	Understand	2
Q12	Instrumental Rationality	CO1	Understand	2
Q13	Scientism	CO1	Understand	2

	Part C : Short Essay Questions: Answer ALL questions in not less than 300 words each, choosing among options given within each question.	Course Outcome	Blooms Level	Marks
Q14	a. Explain the distortions in sociological imagination according to C Wright Mills. OR b. Illustrate the main ideas of the "Intellectual Craftsmanship" chapter in The Sociological Imagination by C. Wright Mills?	CO3	Apply	6
Q15	a. Explain how the Public Sociology movement bridges the gap between academic classrooms and the broader community. OR b. Explain the notion of Professional Sociology	CO5	Understand	6
Q16	a. Examine the key contributions and lasting impacts of the Enlightenment on society. OR b. Analyse August Comte's contributions to the development of positivism in sociology.	CO1	Analyse	6
Q17	a. Explain the characteristics of thinking sociologically OR b. Explain the notion of identity and understanding of everyday life.	CO4	Understand	6
Q18	a. Analyse the development of Sociology as a formal discipline according to Gregor Mc Lennan in <i>The Story of Sociology</i> . OR b. Examine how does Gregor Mc Lennan differentiate between Rationalism and Empiricism?	CO2	Analyse	6
	Part D: Essay : Answer ALL questions in not less than 1200 words each, choosing among the options given within each question.	Course Outcome	Blooms Level	Marks
Q19	a. Analyse how does Sociology situate personal troubles as a result of social problems? OR b. Review the book 'Invitation to Sociology' by Peter Berger.	CO3	Analyse	15
Q20	a. Review the book 'Thinking Sociologically' by Zygmunt and May. OR b. Critically analyse what is sociological in connecting oneself with others.	CO4	Analyse	15