

SOCIOLOGY

MAINS TEST SERIES 2024

TEST SERIES *cum* MENTORSHIP PROGRAMME

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24 DECEMBER
2023

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PROGRAMME FEE ₹ 10,000 + GST



Total 12 Tests: 8 Sectional & 4 Mock Tests



Elaborate Discussion after each test



Detailed Model Answer Hints



Copy Evaluation & Discussion

- After submission of Copy, Evaluation will be done within a week.
- After Copy Evaluation One to One Discussion with Faculty will be conducted

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SMRITI RAO

SESSION PLAN

TEST NO. & DATE	TOPICS
<p>TEST - 01</p> <hr/> <p>24 DECEMBER, 2023</p>	<p>Sociology - The Discipline:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Modernity and social changes in Europe and emergence of sociology. ◦ Scope of the subject and comparison with other social sciences. ◦ Sociology and common sense. <p>Sociology as Science:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Science, scientific method and critique. ◦ Major theoretical strands of research methodology. ◦ Positivism and its critique. ◦ Fact value and objectivity. ◦ Non- positivist methodologies. <p>Research Methods and Analysis:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Qualitative and quantitative methods. ◦ Techniques of data collection. ◦ Variables, sampling, hypothesis, reliability and validity.
<p>TEST - 02</p> <hr/> <p>31 DECEMBER, 2023</p>	<p>Sociological Thinkers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Karl Marx- Historical materialism, mode of production, alienation, class struggle. ◦ Emile Durkheim- Division of labour, social fact, suicide, religion and society. ◦ Max Weber- Social action, ideal types, authority, bureaucracy, protestant ethic and the spirit of capitalism.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Talcott Parsons- Social system, pattern variables. ◦ Robert K. Merton- Latent and manifest functions, conformity and deviance, reference groups ◦ Mead - Self and identity. <p>Introducing Indian Society:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Perspectives on the study of Indian society <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Indology (GS. Ghurye). ▶ Structural functionalism (M N Srinivas). ▶ Marxist sociology (A R Desai). ◦ Impact of colonial rule on Indian society <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Social background of Indian nationalism. ▶ Modernization of Indian tradition. ▶ Protests and movements during the colonial period. ▶ Social reforms
<p style="text-align: center;">TEST - 03</p> <hr style="border: 1px solid red;"/> <p style="text-align: center;">07 JANUARY, 2024</p>	<p>Stratification and Mobility:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Concepts- equality, inequality, hierarchy, exclusion, poverty and deprivation ◦ Theories of social stratification- Structural functionalist theory, Marxist theory, Weberian theory. ◦ Dimensions – Social stratification of class, status groups, gender, ethnicity and race. ◦ Social mobility- open and closed systems, types of mobility, sources and causes of mobility. <p>Social Structure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Rural and Agrarian Social Structure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ The idea of Indian village and village studies- Agrarian social structure - evolution of land tenure system, land reforms.

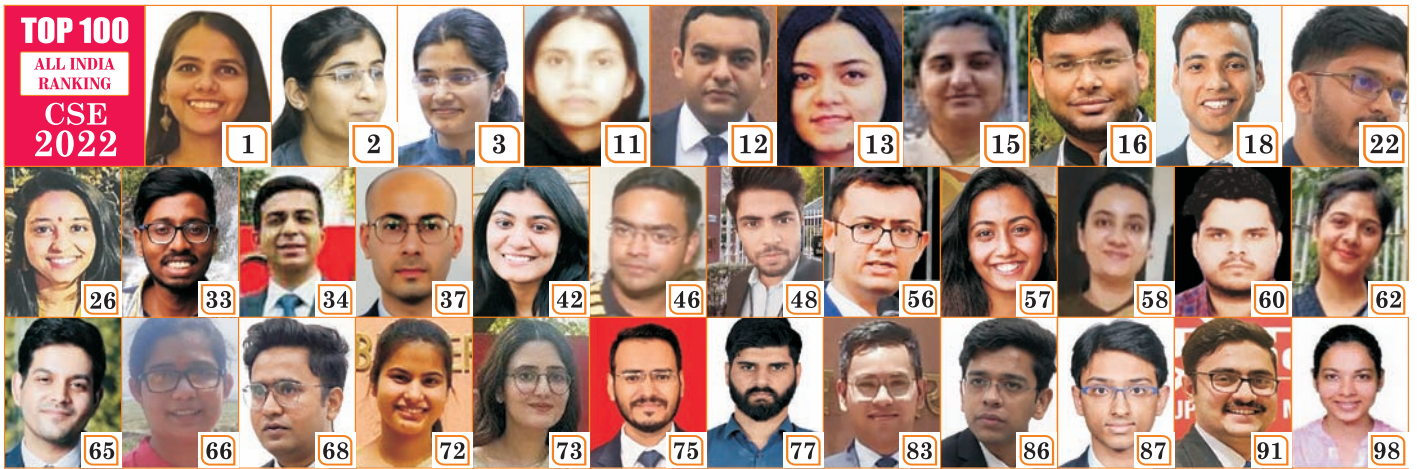
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	Rural and Agrarian transformation in India: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Programmes of rural development, Community Development Programme, cooperatives, poverty alleviation schemes. Green revolution and social change. Changing modes of production in Indian agriculture . Problems of rural labour, bondage, migration.
TEST - 04 <hr/> 14 JANUARY, 2024	Works and Economic Life: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Social organization of work in different types of society- slave society, feudal society, industrial / capitalist society. Formal and informal organization of work Labour and society. Industrialization and Urbanisation in India: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evolution of modern industry in India. Growth of urban settlements in India. Working class: structure, growth, class mobilization Informal sector, child labour Slums and deprivation in urban areas.
TEST - 05 <hr/> 21 JANUARY, 2024	Politics & Society: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nation, democracy and citizenship. Political parties, pressure groups , social and political elite. Regionalism and decentralization of power Secularization Politics & Society (Paper 2) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nation, democracy, citizenship Political parties, pressure groups, social and political elite Regionalism and decentralisation of power Secularization

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	<p>Religion & Society:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ Sociological theories of religion.◦ Types of religious practices: animism, monism, pluralism, sects, cults.◦ Religion in modern society: religion and science, secularization, religious revivalism, fundamentalism. <p>Religion & Society (Paper 2)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ Religious communities in India◦ Problems of religious minorities <p>Systems of Kinship:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ Family, household, marriage.◦ Types and forms of family.◦ Lineage and descent◦ Patriarchy and sexual division of labour◦ Contemporary trends. <p>Systems of Kinship (Paper 2)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ Lineage and descent in India◦ Types of Kinship systems◦ Family and marriage in India◦ Household dimensions of the family◦ Patriarchy, entitlements, sexual division of labour
<p>TEST - 06</p> <hr/> <p>28 JANUARY, 2024</p>	<p>Social Change in Modern Society:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ Sociological theories of social change.◦ Development and dependency.◦ Agents of social change.◦ Education and social change.◦ Science, technology and social change. <p>Social Changes in India: Visions of Social Change in India:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ Idea of development planning and mixed " economy.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Constitution, law and social change. " ◦ Education and social change. <p>Social Movements in Modern India:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Peasants and farmers movements. Women's movement. Backward classes & Dalit movement. Environmental movements. Ethnicity and Identity movements.
<p style="text-align: center;">TEST - 07</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">04 FEBRUARY, 2024</p>	<p>Caste System: Perspectives on the study of caste systems: GS Ghurye, M N Srinivas, Louis Dumont, Andre Beteille. Features of caste system. Untouchability - forms and perspectives</p> <p>Tribal communities in India: Definitional problems.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Geographical spread. ◦ Colonial policies and tribes. ◦ Issues of integration and autonomy. <p>Social Classes in India: Agrarian class structure.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Industrial class structure. ◦ Middle classes in India <p>Population Dynamics: Population size, growth, composition and distribution.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Components of population growth: birth, death, migration. ◦ Population policy and family planning. ◦ Emerging issues: ageing, sex ratios, child and infant mortality, reproductive health.

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	Challenges of Social Transformation: Crisis of development: displacement, environmental problems and sustainability. <ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ Poverty, deprivation and inequalities.◦ Violence against women.◦ Caste conflicts.◦ Ethnic conflicts, communalism, religious revivalism Illiteracy and disparities in education.
TEST - 08 11 FEBRUARY, 2024	Organic & Applied Topics
AFTER PRLEIMS	
TEST - 09	MOCK 1 - PAPER 1
TEST - 10	MOCK 2 - PAPER 2
TEST - 11	MOCK 3 - PAPER 1
TEST - 12	MOCK 4 - PAPER 2





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