

SOCIOLOGY

MAINS TEST SERIES 2023

TEST SERIES *cum* MENTORSHIP PROGRAMME

**BATCH
STARTS** **24**
AUGUST, 2022



TEST TIMINGS:
9:00 AM to 12:00 NOON



PROGRAMME FEE:
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Total 12 Tests:

- 8 Sectional
- 4 Mock Tests



**Elaborate Discussion
after each test**



**Detailed Model Answer
Hints**



**Copy Evaluation &
Discussion**

SESSION PLAN

TEST NO. & DATE	TOPICS
24 th AUGUST 2022	Approach to Sociology Optional
TEST - 01 28 AUGUST 2022	Sociology - The Discipline: <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. Sociology as Science: <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. Research Methods and Analysis: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Qualitative and quantitative methods. ◦ Techniques of data collection. ◦ Variables, sampling, hypothesis, reliability and validity.
TEST - 02 11 SEPTEMBER 2022	Sociological Thinkers: <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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TEST - 03 25 SEPTEMBER 2022	<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>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. <p>Social mobility- open and closed systems, types of mobility, sources and causes of mobility.</p> <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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TEST - 04 09 OCTOBER, 2022	<p>Works and Economic Life:</p> <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. <p>Industrialization and Urbanisation in India:</p> <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 30 OCTOBER, 2022	<p>Politics and Society:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Nation, democracy and citizenship. ◦ Political parties, pressure groups , social and political elite. ◦ Regionalism and decentralization of power ◦ Secularization <p>Religion and 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>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.

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TEST - 06 13 NOVEMBER, 2022	Social Change in Modern Society: <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. Social Changes in India: <ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ Visions of Social Change in India:<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ Idea of development planning and mixed economy.▶ Constitution, law and social change.▶ Education and social change. 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. Social Movements in Modern India: <ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ Peasants and farmers movements.◦ Women's movement.◦ Backward classes & Dalit movement.◦ Environmental movements.◦ Ethnicity and Identity movements.
TEST - 07 27 NOVEMBER, 2022	Caste System: <ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ Perspectives on the study of caste systems: GS Ghurye, M N Srinivas, Louis Dumont, Andre Beteille. Features of caste system. Untouchability - forms and perspectives

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	<p>Tribal communities in India:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Definitional problems. ◦ Geographical spread. ◦ Colonial policies and tribes. ◦ Issues of integration and autonomy. <p>Social Classes in India:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Agrarian class structure. ◦ Industrial class structure. ◦ Middle classes in India <p>Population Dynamics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Population size, growth, composition and distribution. ◦ Components of population growth: birth, death, migration. ◦ Population policy and family planning. ◦ Emerging issues: ageing, sex ratios, child and infant mortality, reproductive health. <p>Challenges of Social Transformation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Crisis of development: displacement, environmental problems and sustainability. ◦ Poverty, deprivation and inequalities. ◦ Violence against women. ◦ Caste conflicts. ◦ Ethnic conflicts, communalism, religious revivalism ◦ Illiteracy and disparities in education.
TEST - 08 11 DECEMBER, 2022	Organic and applied Topics

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AFTER PRELIMS	
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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