



**LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034**

**M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION - MEDICAL SOCIOLOGY**

FIRST SEMESTER – NOVEMBER 2011

**SO 1810 - CLASSICAL SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY**

Date : 11-11-2011  
Time : 1:00 - 4:00

Dept. No.

Max. : 100 Marks

**Part – A**

Write a short note on ALL of the following in about 30 words each

(10 x 2 = 20 Marks)

1. Base and superstructure.
2. Egoistic Instincts.
3. Role-Distance.
4. Play Stage.
5. Fiduciary system.
6. Routinization of charisma.
7. Proletariat.
8. Alienation.
9. Repressive law.
10. Theoretical rationality.

**Part – B**

Answer any Five questions in about 300 words each

(5 x 8 = 40 Marks)

11. 'Positivism is the philosophical view that the only valid form of human knowledge is that discovered by empirical science'. Explain.
12. How does Durkheim manage to refute that crime is not pathological?
13. Explain the four basic stages of Mead's 'act'
14. Explain Weber's concept of Verstehen. Does it give a rational procedure to study society?
15. Is Marx an economic determinist? Argue with examples.
16. Do people shape themselves based on other people's perception? Argue with examples.
17. Explain the four functional imperatives, proposed by Parsons that are necessary for all systems.

**Part – C**

Answer any Two questions in about 1200 words each

(2 x 20 = 40 Marks)

18. Evaluate the major criticism of structural functionalism proposed by Ritzer.
19. Examine in detail how Comte presented his three stages of social development 'mentalistically'.
20. Critically evaluate Weber's structures of authority.
21. Examine in detail Goffman's theory of dramaturgy.

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