

LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034



B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – SOCIOLOGY

FIFTH SEMESTER – NOVEMBER 2019

SO 5502 / 17/16 US05MC03 – SOCIOLOGY OF RELIGION

Date: 02-11-2019

Dept. No.

Max. : 100 Marks

Time: 09:00-12:00

PART - A

Answer ALL questions in about 30 words each:

(10 x 2 = 20)

1. Define religion.
2. Mention Durkheim's classification of religion.
3. Identify any four religious groups in India.
4. Mention any four elements of religion.
5. What is secularism?
6. What is totemism?
7. Define social movement.
8. Name any two socio-religious movement in India.
9. Define social change.
10. What is meant by freedom of religion?

PART - B

Answer any FIVE of the following in 300 words each:

(5 x 8 = 40)

11. Explain the importance of sociology of religion.
12. Highlight the characteristics of religious groups.
13. Explain the functions of religious movements.
14. Bring out the differences between cult and sect.
15. Analyze the relationship between social change and religious change.
16. Highlight the sociological perspective of religion.
17. Explain the impact of conversion.

PART - C

Answer any TWO of the following in 1200 words each:

(2 x 20 = 40)

18. Explain the nature and scope of religion.
19. Trace the relevance and importance of religious groups.
20. Explain the merits and demerits of religious movements.
21. Analyze the scope and limitation of the freedom of religion envisaged in the Indian constitution.

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