LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034

B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – **SOCIOLOGY**

FIFTH SEMESTER – **NOVEMBER 2022**

17/18USO5MC03 – SOCIOLOGY OF RELIGION

Date: 25-11-2022 Dept. No. Max. : 100 Marks

Time: 09:00 AM - 12:00 NOON

PART – A **(10x 2 = 20 Marks)**

Q. No **Answer ALL questions in 50 words each.**

1 Define religion.
2 What is a cult?
3 Define secularism.
4 What are religious movements?
5 Mention any two functions of religion.
6 What is a sect?
7 List two examples of religious groups.
8 Write a short note on freedom of religion.
9 What are denominations?
10 Write a short note on religious conversion.

PART – B **(5 x 8 = 40 Marks)**

Answer any FIVE questions in 300 words each

11 Outline the scope of sociology of religion.
12 Differentiate between sect and denomination.
13 Elaborate on the relationship between religion and the institution of politics.
14 What are the characteristics of religious groups?
15 Discuss the importance of studying religion.
16 Elaborate the merits and demerits of religious movements in detail.
17 What are the impacts of social and religious change in society?

PART – C **(2 x 20 = 40 Marks)**

Answer any TWO questions in 1200 words each

18 Elaborate on the nature and scope of sociology of religion.
19 Write an essay on how religion can be a cause of social change.
20 Discuss the contours of any one religious movement of your choice.
21 Do you think secularism is necessary in a country like India? Elaborate.

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