SW 1951 : SOCIOLOGY FOR SOCIAL WORK

Objectives:

- To provide the students a sociological perspective on Indian society, its structure, history and problems.
- To sensitize them to the need to acquire suitable skills to deal with social issues.
- To help them acquire constructive attitudes to society on its problems that are appropriate to the profession.

UNIT I

Introduction to Sociology: Definition, Nature, Scope and Importance of Sociology; Major Theoretical Perspectives: Functionalist, Conflict and Interactive; Sociology as a Social Science. Linkage between Sociology and Social Work Practice. (9 Hours)

UNIT II

Evolution of Sociology: Contributions of August Comte, Herbert Spencer, Karl Marx, Emile Durkheim, Max Weber and R.K. Mukherjee, G.R.Madan, Majumdar and M.N. Srinivas; Recent Developments in the branches of Sociology - Urban, Rural, Religious and Political Sociology. (9 Hours)

UNIT III

Basic Concepts in Sociology: Society, Community and Association - Meaning and characteristics; Social Systems and Social Institutions - Family, Religion, Marriage, Education, Politics, Economics, Medicine and Recreation; Social Structure - Role and Status, Power and Authority; Culture - Meaning and Characteristics; Social Groups: Definitions, Characteristics, Importance, Classification of Social Groups; Social Processes: Social Interaction, Cooperation, Competition, Conflict, Subjugation, Accommodation and Assimilation. (9 Hours)

UNIT IV

Social Control: Meaning, Purposes, Types, Mores, Social Norms and Values, Conformity and deviance, Social Change; Social Stratification and Mobility: The class and caste system; Social Lag, Sanskritization, Westernization Globalization and Modernization. Local Self-Government and Panchayat Raj System in India. (9 Hours)

UNIT V

Indian Social Problems: Poverty, Illiteracy, Casteism, Gender Inequality, Over-Population, Environmental Threats, Unemployment, Corruption, Crime and Young Offenders, Suicide, Child Labour, Bonded Labour, Terrorism, Human Trafficking and Sexual Exploitation. (9 Hours)
REFERENCES:


