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M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – SOCIOLOGY

SECOND SEMESTER – APRIL 2023

PSO2MC01 – SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY II

Date: 02-05-2023

Dept. No.

Max. : 100 Marks

Time: 01:00 PM - 04:00 PM

SECTION A – K1 (CO1)

Answer ALL the questions

(5 x 1 = 5)

1. **Match the following**

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| a) | Judith Butler | - Liquid modernity |
| b) | Walter Benjamin | - Instrumental reasoning |
| c) | Zygmunt Bauman | - Gender permativity |
| d) | Max Horkheimer | - Docile bodies |
| e) | Michel Foucault | - Illuminations |

SECTION A – K2 (CO1)

Answer ALL the questions

(5 x 1 = 5)

2. **Choose the right answer**

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| a) | According to Zygmunt Bauman, what is the defining feature of liquid modernity?
A. Flexibility B. Stability C. Bureaucracy D. Hierarchy |
| b) | Who is known for his theory of the "society of the spectacle"?
a. Walter Benjamin b. Zygmunt Bauman c. Adorno d. Michel Foucault |
| c) | Which sociological theorist is known for his work on habitus?
a. Pierre Bourdieu b. Michel Foucault c. Walter Benjamin d. Zygmunt Bauman |
| d) | Which of the following is a key feature of postmodernism?
a. Emphasis on grand narratives b. Focus on objective reality c. Belief in universal truth d. Skepticism toward metanarratives |
| e) | Which theory suggests that social reality is constructed through language and discourse?
a. Conflict theory b. Structural functionalism c. Cultural studies d. Symbolic interactionism |

SECTION B – K3 (CO2)

Answer any THREE of the following in 300 words

(3 x 10 = 30)

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| 3. | Differentiate Frankfurt school of thought from the Marxist thinking. |
| 4. | Briefly discuss the concept of ethnomethodology. |
| 5. | Discuss the central idea of Adorno's Critical Theory. |
| 6. | Discuss how postmodernism challenges the traditional sociological theories. |
| 7. | Write a short note on the central theme of "The second sex" proposed by Simon de Beauvoir. |

