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U.G. DEGREE EXAMINATION – **ELECTIVE**

FOURTH SEMESTER - APRIL 2023

USO 4602 - SOCIOLOGY OF RELIGION

Date: 06-05-2023	Dept. No.	Max.: 100 Marks
Time: 09:00 AM - 12:0	OO NOON	

	SECTION A - K1 (CO1)		
	Answer ALL the Questions $(10 \times 1 = 10)$		
1.	Answer the following		
a)	What is profane?		
b)	Define sociology of religion.		
c)	Define reductionism.		
d)	Mention two examples of cult.		
e)	State the meaning of feminist perspective on religion.		
2.	Answer the following		
a)	What is totem?		
b)	Define secularism.		
c)	Mention two names of religious movements.		
d)	What is sacralisation?		
e)	Define phenomenology.		
	SECTION A - K2 (CO1)		
	Answer ALL the Questions (10 x 1 =		
	10)		
3.	Answer the following		
a)	What is magic?		
b)	Define sociography.		
c)	What is cult?		
d)	Indicate two examples of sect.		
e)	What is the role of caste in religion?		
4.	TRUE or FALSE		
a)	Sociologists study religion as both a belief system and a social institution.		
b)	Durkheim saw religion as a source of social stability.		
c)	Magic and religion are closely linked.		
d)	As industrialization advances, the general historical tendency is to become secular, or worldly, in		
	their values, beliefs and institutions.		
e)	According to Functionalist perspective - Religion reinforces and promotes social inequality and		
	social conflict.		
	SECTION B - K3 (CO2)		
	Answer any TWO of the following $(2 \times 10 =$		
5.	Explain basic components of religion.		
6.	Examine the difference between magic and religion.		
7.	Describe the merits of religious movement.		
8.	Explicate the role of religion towards women.		

SECTION C – K4 (CO3)				
	Answer any TWO of the following	$(2 \times 10 = 20)$		
9.	Explicate Theosophical Society.			
10.	Illustrate symbolic interactionist perspective of religion.			
11.	Analyse the influence of religion on caste.			
12.	Explain fundamentalism and the reasons for its emergence and expansion.			
SECTION D – K5 (CO4)				
	Answer any ONE of the following	$(1 \times 20 = 20)$		
13.	Critically evaluate the politicization of religion and its implication on social fabric.			
14.	Compare and analyse institutionalised religion with sect.			
SECTION E – K6 (CO5)				
	Answer any ONE of the following	$(1 \times 20 = 20)$		
15.	Critique the functionalist and critical theoretical perspectives on religion.			
16.	Summarise the oppressive and liberative dimensions of religion with suitable example.	oles.		

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