



LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034

U.G. DEGREE EXAMINATION – **ALLIED OPTIONAL**

FOURTH SEMESTER – **APRIL 2024**

USO 4401 – SOCIAL INEQUALITIES

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Max. : 100 Marks

Time: 01:00 PM - 04:00 PM

SECTION A - K1 (CO1)

Answer ALL the Questions

(10 x 1 = 10)

1. MCQ

- a) _____ inequality refers to the unequal treatment and opportunities between men and women.
A. Social B. Gender C. Class D. Racial
- b) _____ refers to the biological and physiological characteristics of males and females.
A. Sex B. Gender C. Third Gender D. None of the above.
- c) _____ is a key aspect of racial categorization.
A. Observable B. Personality C. Diversity D. Acceptance
- d) Which word best represents the concept of caste?
A. Profession B. Wealth C. Education D. Hereditary
- e) The director of “Poor Kids” is _____.
A. Mani Ratnam B. Gautam Menon C. Anjali Patil D. Jezza Neumann

2. Match the following

- a) Race - Multiple forms of discrimination
- b) Gender - Birth
- c) Inequality - Socially Constructed
- d) Intersectionality - Colour
- e) Caste - Disparity

SECTION A - K2 (CO1)

Answer ALL the Questions
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3. True or False

- a) Race is purely a biological concept and has no social implications.
- b) Gender identity is determined solely by biological sex at birth.
- c) Inequality can refer to disparities in many areas, including but not limited to economics, such as education, health, and social opportunities.
- d) “Poor Kids” is a documentary produced by FRONTLINE that explores what poverty means to children in America.
- e) While the caste system is most commonly associated with India, similar systems of social stratification can be found in various cultures around the world.

4. Definitions

- a) Race
- b) Caste
- c) Inequality
- d) Class
- e) Social Stratification

SECTION B - K3 (CO2)**Answer any TWO of the following in 600 words each. (2 x 10 = 20)**

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| 5. | Summarize the functionalist perspective on stratification. |
| 6. | Illustrate the role of Gender distinction in gender inequality. |
| 7. | Explain the role of Institutional Racism in the existence of Racism. |
| 8. | Illustrate the characteristics of Caste. |

SECTION C – K4 (CO3)**Answer any TWO of the following in 600 words each. (2 x 10 = 20)**

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| 9. | Analyse the types of closed stratification. |
| 10. | Explain the role of society in recreation of gender inequality. |
| 11. | Summarize the types of Varnas and explain why they are considered exploitative. |
| 12. | Write a review on "poor kid" documentary. |

SECTION D – K5 (CO4)**Answer any ONE of the following in 1000 words (1 x 20 = 20)**

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| 13. | Elucidate the various types of inequalities with examples. |
| 14. | Expound on the origin of the caste system in detail. |

SECTION E – K6 (CO5)**Answer any ONE of the following in 1000 words (1 x 20 = 20)**

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| 15. | Assess the measures that have been implemented by the Indian government to counteract the various forms of inequalities prevalent in the country. |
| 16. | Conduct a critical analysis of the harsh realities of racial discrimination in contemporary society. |
