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B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – SOCIOLOGY

FOURTH SEMESTER – APRIL 2016

SO 4502 – SOCIOLOGICAL THEORIES - II

Date: 20-04-2016

Dept. No.

Max. : 100 Marks

Time: 09:00-12:00

PART – A

Answer the following questions in about 30 words each:

(10 x 2 = 20 marks)

1. What does Mead mean by “I” and “Me”?
2. Define “Self”.
3. List down the major works of W.I. Thomas.
4. Write the meaning of “wishes” as mentioned by W.I. Thomas.
5. Enumerate the situational constraints highlighted by Parsons.
6. What does Parsons mean by “Self Vs Collectivity”?
7. How does Merton define the term social structure?
8. What are dysfunctions?
9. Highlight the major works of P.M. Blau.
10. Bring out the concept of “Exchange” as spelt out by Blau.

PART - B

Answer any FIVE questions in about 300 words each:

(5 x 8 = 40 marks)

11. Write a brief note on “status and role”.
12. Specify the four wishes as enunciated by W.I. Thomas.
13. Write a brief note on Parsons’ analysis of “Pattern Variables”.
14. Delineate the concepts used by Merton in his role theory.
15. Elicit the major principles of Blau’s Integrated Theory of Exchange.
16. Project Parsons’ ideas on “functional requisites”.
17. Enumerate the main propositions of Merton’s Reference Group theory.

PART - C

Answer any TWO questions in about 1200 words each:

(2 x 20 = 40 marks)

18. Give a detailed account of the “Situational Analysis” as explained by W.I. Thomas.
19. Elaborate upon the “Voluntaristic Theory of Social Action” by Parsons.
20. Explicate the major projections of Merton’s theory of “Anomie”.
21. Offer a critical explanation of Blau’s Elementary Systems of Exchange.

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