



LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI – 600 034

B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – SOCIOLOGY

FOURTH SEMESTER – APRIL 2025

SO 415 – SOCIAL PATHOLOGY



Date: 26-04-2025

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Max. : 100 Marks

Time: 09:00 AM - 12:00 PM

SECTION A

Answer ANY FOUR of the following

4 x 10 = 40 Marks

1. Define social pathology and explain its significance.
2. Discuss the relationship between social pathology and deviant behaviour.
3. Examine the root causes of crime in modern society.
4. Explain how poverty contributes to social disorganization.
5. Analyse the impact of substance abuse on society.
6. Examine how unemployment is understood in society as a pathology.
7. Discuss the relationship between social pathology and juvenile delinquency.
8. Examine the relationship between mass media and the spread of social deviance.

SECTION B

Answer ANY THREE of the following

3 x 20 = 60 Marks

9. Critically analyse the functionalist and conflict perspectives of crime and pathology.
10. Examine how globalization has influenced crime in the contemporary society.
11. Discuss the impact of technological advancements on contemporary social problems.
12. Elaborate on how structural inequality contributes to the persistence of social problems.
13. Discuss the interplay between social norms and social pathologies in shaping human behaviour with suitable examples.
14. Suggest measures and policies in addressing social pathologies.
