



LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI – 600 034

B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – SOCIOLOGY

SIXTH SEMESTER – APRIL 2025

SO 618 – COMMUNITY HEALTH AND SOCIAL MEDICINE



Date: 02-05-2025

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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. Explain how social determinants impact community health.
2. Illustrate how class and caste affect access to healthcare.
3. How do cultural and religious beliefs shape health behaviors?
4. Elucidate the impact of industrialisation and urbanization on public health.
5. Briefly explain how community-based health programs improve well-being.
6. Elaborate the main barriers to healthcare in rural areas.
7. Explain how food deserts impact community health.
8. Construct the association between education and health.

SECTION B

Answer ANY THREE of the following

3 x 20 = 60 Marks

9. Critically examine the impact of medicalization and privatization of healthcare on communities.
10. Summarise how vaccination programme benefits community health.
11. Argue how pandemics expose weaknesses in public health systems.
12. Differentiate between chronic and acute illnesses and the reasons for increase in complex chronic diseases.
13. Explain how social stigma affect mental health treatment.
14. Examine how the internet and social media has influenced public health behaviours.
