

**STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 086**

**(For candidates admitted during the academic year 2019 – 2020)**

**SUBJECT CODE: 19SC/MC/SR64**

**B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION APRIL 2022**

**BRANCH III-SOCIOLOGY**

**SIXTH SEMESTER**

**COURSE : MAJOR CORE**

**PAPER : SOCIOLOGY OF RELIGION**

**TIME : 3 HRS**

**MAX. MARKS: 100**

**SECTION – A**

**ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER NOT TO EXCEED 50 WORDS:**

**(10 X 2 =20)**

1. Give a functional definition of Religion
2. Differentiate religious experience and belief.
3. Mention the sociological functions of religion
4. How is Doctrine an integrating power of religion?
5. Give two major assumptions of Functional perspective of religion.
6. Why Marx stated religion to be the opium of the masses?
7. Name two political parties based on religious ideologies.
8. Mention the socio religious reform movements and their founders.
9. Define Proselytism.
10. Define Secularism.

**SECTION – B**

**ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER NOT TO EXCEED 250**

**WORDS:**

**(5 X 8 = 40)**

11. Write briefly on Primitive Religion?
12. Distinguish between theoretical and practical religious expressions.
13. Analyse the integrating role of religion based on doctrines and worship with relevant examples.
14. Bring out the conflict perspective of religion.
15. 'The amalgamation and separation of state and religion' – Trace its significance over different time frames.
16. Compare and contrast the pros and cons of Secularism as national identity label.
17. Debate the relevance of religion by adapting to modern times and global followers?
18. Substantiate why do staunch orthodox followers involve in extreme acts to showcase their devotion?

**SECTION – C**

**ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER NOT TO EXCEED 1200**

**WORDS:**

**(2 X 20 = 40)**

19. Classify the definition of religion and write in detail about the sociological functions of religion.
20. Discuss in detail the Sociological perspectives and its consequences relating to social cohesion and conformity?
21. What are New Religious Movements and relate the features with traditional religious ways and differentiate the newer norms.
22. Justify the association of Sacred and Profane with the pluralistic religious presence in India.

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