

STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI – 86
(For candidates admitted from the academic year 2008 – 2009)

SUBJECT CODE: SC/MC/ST44

B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2010
BRANCH III – SOCIOLOGY
FOURTH SEMESTER

COURSE : MAJOR – CORE
PAPER : SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY
TIME : 3 HOURS

MAX. MARKS: 100

SECTION - A

Answer ALL questions. Each answer not to exceed 50 words.

(10 × 2 = 20)

1. State the meaning of sociological theory.
2. Point out the elements of a theory.
3. What, according to Parsons, is universalism?
4. Define role-set.
5. Explain alienation.
6. How does Dahrendorf define power?
7. Who are 'significant others'?
8. Bring out any one assumption of symbolic interactionism.
9. Write a short note on Homans.
10. What do you understand by 'social commodities'?

SECTION - B

Answer any FIVE questions. Each answer not to exceed 250 words.

(5 × 8 = 40)

11. Highlight Merton's principles for functionalist analysis.
12. Briefly explain the functional imperatives proposed by Parsons.
13. Bring out the assumptions of conflict theory.
14. Explain the types of theories.
15. Elucidate Marx's concept of dialectics.
16. Explain Merton's theory of deviance.
17. Enumerate Cooley's contribution to symbolic interactionism.
18. Discuss Dahrendorf's contribution to conflict perspective.

SECTION – C

Answer any TWO questions. Each answer not to exceed 1000 words.

(2 × 20 = 40)

19. Is theorization indispensable in sociology? Substantiate your answer referring to its Functions in sociology.
20. Examine Marx's theory of class struggle.
21. Discuss Parsons' voluntaristic theory of social action.
22. Evaluate Blau's contribution to exchange perspective in sociology.
