

STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI 600 086
(For candidates admitted during the academic year 2008-09 & thereafter)

SUBJECT CODE: **SC/MC/DS34**

B. A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2010
BRANCH III – SOCIOLOGY
THIRD SEMESTER

COURSE : MAJOR – CORE
PAPER : DEVELOPMENT OF SOCIAL THOUGHT
TIME : 3 HOURS MAX.MARKS:100

SECTION – A

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

(10X2=20)

1. Point out any four factors which caused the growth of Sociology as a Science.
2. Elucidate the meaning of alienation.
3. What was positivism meant to be?
4. Mention the social forces of progress identified by Comte.
5. Identify any two features of Social Darwinism found in Spencer's thoughts.
6. What is meant by mechanical solidarity?
7. How did Durkheim define suicide?
8. State the meaning of dialectics.
9. Write a brief note on Verstehen
10. Explain charisma.

SECTION – B

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

(5X8=40)

11. Bring out the impact of Reformation on Social thought.
12. Explain the scope of Social statics as envisaged by Comte.
13. Summarize Comte's views on hierarchy of sciences.
14. Is social organism different from biological organism? How?
15. Should Sociology restrict its focus to just social facts? Justify.
16. Bring out the causes of alienation.
17. Explain the Weberian typology of social action.
18. Is bureaucracy in Weber's description an ideal type? How?

SECTION – C

ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER NOT TO EXCEED 1000 WORDS.

(2X20=40)

19. "Protestant Ethic is the prime mover of capitalism" - Examine this claim of Weber.
20. Critically examine Marx' ideas on class struggle and the rise of a classless society.
21. Discuss Durkheim's attempt to analyze suicide sociologically.
22. Evaluate Spencer's views on social evolution.
