

STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI – 86
(For candidates admitted from the academic year 2011 – 2012 & thereafter)

SUBJECT CODE: 11SC/MC/ST44

B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2016
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. (10x2=20)

1. What is the meaning of sociological theory?
2. Bring out the assumptions of functionalism.
3. How does Marx explain the concept of pauperization?
4. What does the term 'looking glass' mean?
5. Specify Homans' views on 'reward' and 'punishment'.
6. Enumerate the functions of sociological theory.
7. What is meant by 'middle-range theory'?
8. What does Dahrendorf mean by ICAs?
9. Who are referred to as 'Significant Others' by G.H. Mead?
10. What does Blau mean by 'social conformity'?

SECTION - B

Answer any FIVE questions. Each answer not to exceed 250 words. (5 × 8 = 40)

11. Give a brief account of the typology of theories in sociological tradition.
12. Categorize the 'Pattern Variables' as outlined by Parsons.
13. Explain the methodology of 'Dialectical Materialism' adopted by Karl Marx.
14. Bring out Cooley's organic view of society.
15. Write a brief note on the distinctive nature of social exchange as projected by Blau.
16. Elicit Ralph Dahrendorf's ideas on social stratification.
17. Expound the theory of deviance as enunciated by Merton.
18. Reflect upon Homans' thoughts on the elementary principles of social behavior.

SECTION – C

Answer any TWO questions. Each answer not to exceed 1000 words. (2 × 20 = 40)

19. Write an essay on the elements of sociological theory.
20. Elucidate Parsons' understanding of the Structure of Social Action.
21. Critically evaluate Marx's theory of Class Conflict.
22. Explicate Mead's theory of the growth and development of self.
