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Paper I

SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY

1. Status of Sociological Knowledge: Positivism, Weber, and Phenomenology- Critique
2. Theories of Durkheim, Marx and Weber- Critique
3. Structuralism and post-structuralism
4. Post-Marxist writings: German Critical School and others
5. Structure-agency debate: Mead, Bourdieu, Giddens
6. Post-modernism and its relevance.

Selected Readings

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PAPER II

Research Methodology

1. Philosophy of Social Research

- Logic of Social Enquiry
- Research processes and criteria of a good research

2. Steps involved in doing Research

- Identification and formulation of a Research problem, Research objectives and questions
- Approaches and Methods in Research

3. Research Design

- Features and Types of research Design
- Construction of Concept, Hypothesis, Model and Theory
- Participatory Research, Social Research, Action Research, Evaluative Research

4. Analysis of Data

- Types of analysis
- Basic statistical techniques in data analysis
- Computer Application

5. Interpretation and Report Writing

- Types of Report
- Layout of the Report
- Steps in writing Report
- Copyright Rules

6. Ethnographic Encounter with the Field

- Strategies, Organization, Moral question.
- Introduction to some Classical Ethnographic accounts

7. Ethics in Social Research

Selected Readings:

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- Roy, Sanjay, K. & Danda (eds.). 2007. *Methodological Questions in Social Anthropology*. Kolkata: A.K. INCAA.
- Shipman, Martin. 1988. *The Limitations of Social Research*. London: Sage.
- Sjoberg, Gideon and Roger Nett. 1997. *Methodology for Social Research*. Jaipur: Rawat.
- Srinivas, M.N. Et.al. (eds.). 1979. *The Fieldwork and the Field: Problems and Challenges in Sociological Investigation*. Delhi: OUP.
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