

PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE
(AUTONOMOUS)
BA DEGREE EXAMINATION DECEMBER 2011
(Fifth Semester)

Branch- SOCIOLOGY

SOCIAL GERONTOLOGY

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

SECTION-A (20 Marks)

Answer **ALL** questions

ALL questions carry **EQUAL** marks • (10 x 2 = 20)

- 1 Define ageing.
- 2 What is social gerontology?
- 3 What do you mean by age stratification?
- 4 What is conflict?
- 5 What is post industrial society?
- 6 Define stress.
- 7 List out any 4 biological changes associated with ageing.
- 8 Name any two effects of loneliness on aged.
- 9 Name any 4 functions of old age homes in Tamilnadu.
- 10 Mention any two social assistance for elderly in India.

SECTION - B (25 Marks!)

Answer **ALL** Questions

ALL Questions Carry **EQUAL** Marks (5 x 5 = 25)

- 11 a Describe the common myths of ageing.
OR
b Write about the biological ageing.
- 12 a Discuss about the continuity theory.
OR
b Describe the limitations of modernization theory.
- 13 a What are the changes occurred in the pattern of living of ageing?
OR
b What is family? How family structure has changed?
- 14 a Define depression. What are the causes of depression among elderly?
OR
b Discuss the adjustment problems faced by the aged.
- 15 a Why the old age social security , is important in India?
OR
b Discuss the old age benefits for the elderly in India.

SECTION - C (30 Marks)

Answer any **THREE** Questions

ALL Questions Carry **EQUAL** Marks (3 x 10 = 30)

- 16 Differentiate psychological and sociological perspectives of ageing.
- 17 Discuss the nine postulates of Disengagement theory.
- 18 Explain the factors responsible for the changing image of the aged.
- 19 Loneliness is the important health risk in the elderly - Discuss.
- 20 Explain the legal security for the aged in India.