

**PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE
(AUTONOMOUS)
BA DEGREE EXAMINATION MAY 2025
(First Semester)**

**Branch - SOCIOLOGY
GENERAL SOCIOLOGY - I**

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 75 Marks

SECTION-A (10 Marks)
Answer ALL questions
ALL questions carry EQUAL marks (10 × 1 = 10)

| Module No. | Question No. | Question | K Level | CO |
|------------|--------------|--|---------|-----|
| 1 | 1 | What is the term used to refer for the scientific study of human social behavior and society? a) Anthropology b) Psychology c) Sociology d) Economics | K1 | CO1 |
| | 2 | Where did the discipline sociology originate for the first time in the world? a) Asia b) Africa c) Europe d) North America (United States) | K2 | CO5 |
| 2 | 3 | Which theory posits that the ruler derives authority from God? a) Social Contract Theory b) Divine Theory c) Evolutionary Theory d) Natural Rights Theory | K1 | CO2 |
| | 4 | What is the primary relationship between the individual and society, according to Émile Durkheim? a) Individual is superior to society b) Society is superior to individual c) Individual and society are interdependent d) Individual and society are mutually exclusive | K2 | CO5 |
| 3 | 5 | What is the role of an association? a) To provide social services b) To promote social change c) To represent member interests d) To enforce social norms | K1 | CO4 |
| | 6 | What is social status? a) A person's position in a social hierarchy b) A person's role in a social group c) A person's social class d) A person's economic status | K2 | CO3 |
| 4 | 7 | What is the primary difference between culture and civilization? a) Culture is traditional, while civilization is modern b) Culture is rural, while civilization is urban c) Culture is simple, while civilization is complex d) Culture refers to a way of life, while civilization refers to a type of society | K1 | CO4 |
| | 8 | How does Ethnocentrism affect our understanding of other cultures? a) It promotes cultural relativism b) It hinders cultural understanding c) It facilitates cultural exchange d) It encourages cultural assimilation | K2 | CO2 |
| 5 | 9 | Which theory of Socialization emphasizes the role of interaction with others? a) Psychoanalytic theory b) Social learning theory c) Symbolic interaction theory d) Functional theory | K1 | CO1 |
| | 10 | Which of the following is an agency of Socialization? a) Family b) School c) Peer group d) All of the above | K2 | CO3 |

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SECTION - B (35 Marks)

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks

(5 × 7 = 35)

| Module No. | Question No. | Question | K Level | CO |
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| 1 | 11.a. | Describe the origin and development of Sociology as a discipline. | K3 | CO1 |
| | | (OR) | | |
| | 11.b. | Discuss the relationship between Sociology and other social sciences, such as Psychology, Law, and Political Science. | | |
| 2 | 12.a. | Apply the concepts of society and community to a real-world scenario, such as a rural town or an urban neighborhood. | K3 | CO4 |
| | | (OR) | | |
| | 12.b. | Identify strengths and limitations of the Social Contract Theory in understanding the origin of society. | | |
| 3 | 13.a. | Compare and contrast Primary and Secondary social institutions, highlighting their distinct characteristics and functions. | K4 | CO2 |
| | | (OR) | | |
| | 13.b. | Analyze the role of social groups in the modern world and explain their characteristics and types. Provide examples to illustrate your answer. | | |
| 4 | 14.a. | Examine the harmful effects of ethnocentrism on individuals and society. | K4 | CO3 |
| | | (OR) | | |
| | 14.b. | Analyze the importance of cultural growth and its significance in shaping cultural diversity | | |
| 5 | 15.a. | Explain the theories of Socialization, highlighting their strengths and limitations. | K5 | CO5 |
| | | (OR) | | |
| | 15.b. | Provide a critical analysis of the problems resulting from faulty socialization, and discuss their impact on individuals and society | | |

SECTION - C (30 Marks)

Answer ANY THREE questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks

(3 × 10 = 30)

| Module No. | Question No. | Question | K Level | CO |
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| 1 | 16 | Describe the nature and scope of Sociology. | K4 | CO1 |
| 2 | 17 | Provide a critical analysis of the Evolutionary Theory, exploring its relevance to contemporary Sociological debates. | K5 | CO4 |
| 3 | 18 | Compare and contrast ascribed and achieved status, and examine their respective roles in shaping social identity and group membership. | K4 | CO2 |
| 4 | 19 | Analyze the role of Socialization in shaping individual behavior, attitudes, and values, and examine the implications of effective and ineffective Socialization. | K4 | CO5 |
| 5 | 20 | Critically evaluate the concept of Civilization, examining its key characteristics | K5 | CO3 |