

BMW(O)-SO-I/21

**2021**  
**SOCIOLOGY**  
**PAPER-I**

Time Allowed — 3 Hours

Full Marks — 200

*If the questions attempted are in excess of the prescribed number, only the questions attempted first up to the prescribed number shall be valued and the remaining ones ignored.*

*Answers may be given either in **English** or in **Bengali** but all answers must be in one and same language.*

**Group-A**

Answer any three questions.

40×3=120

1. What is meant by 'Sociology as the study of human relationships'? Examine the nature of human relationships in the light of micro and macro levels of understanding with suitable examples.
2. Examine after Max Weber the concept of Bureaucracy as a form of rational authority. What are its functions and dysfunctions?
3. 'Social Stratification is an universal phenomenon'.— Discuss. Do you think that the caste system is still a basic problem of Indian Society? Justify your answer with examples.
4. What did R.K. Merton mean by 'Conformity' and 'Deviance'? Explain with illustration his five modes of adaptation which people adopt due to social pressure.
5. 'Humans are embedded in social organisation'.— Discuss.

**Group-B**

Answer any two questions.

40×2=80

6. Point out the differences between participant and non-participant observation. Explain the advantages and limitations of observation as a form of data collection.
7. Discuss the social functions of religion. What are the differences between religion and magic?
8. What is meant by Information and Communication Technology (ICT)? Discuss its impact on rural society.

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