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GANDHINAGAR**

Course: Introduction to Sociology
Semester-II (Batch: 2016-21)

Mid Semester Test: Feb-Mar. 2017

Date: 1st March, 2017

Duration: 2 hours

Max. Marks: 30

Instructions:

- Read the questions properly and write the answers in the given answer book.
- The respective marks for each question are indicated in-line.
- Do not write anything on the question paper.
- Indicate correct question numbers in front of the answers.
- No questions or clarifications can be sought during the exam period, answer as it is, giving reason, if any.

Part-A

Answer any five questions

Marks(5x2=
10)

- Q.1 (a) Write an example each for positivism and verstehen.
- (b) *Major. Inayat Khan was posted in Baramulla Sector and during the firing across the border, he got martyrdom. When the Army brought his dead body to his ancestral home, Major Khan's wife got into depression. Later after a week, she also killed herself.*
What is the appropriate term to explain these two deaths?
- (c) Write an example each for role strain and role conflict.
- (d) *The perception of drinking tea can be examined from several different perspectives rather than just the simple act of drinking tea. For example, it can be seen as a means of maintaining good health in the way that one might take daily vitamins, because the benefits of tea have been touted by health researchers; it could be considered a tradition or ritual as many people choose to drink tea ritualistically each day at a certain time; it could be considered a type of drug because it contains nicotine, and therefore the drinker of the tea may have a type of an addiction; and it can be seen from the perspective of being a social activity such as "meeting for tea," an activity that actually focuses less on the beverage and more on the actual activity of meeting with another person.*
What is the appropriate term to explain the perception of the habit of drinking tea being practiced in the different societies?
- (e) *When we call 'primitives' as barbarians or compare other societies in terms of one's own cultural assumptions or bias, we are in reality governed by our own defined perspective. This feeling gives rise to blindness, narrow and parochial judgments. Whereas there are many individuals who consider that they need to leave their native culture and adopt the culture of others as to raise their social status.*
What is the appropriate term to explain the people's cultural beliefs?
- (f) *In 2006, a Portuguese teen soap opera called "Morangos com Açúcar" aired an episode where the characters were afflicted with a terrible disease. Sure enough, more than 300 children who watched the episode began to think they themselves were suffering from this illness. Several schools had to be closed in order to quell the perceived outbreak.*
What is the appropriate term to explain the student's behaviour?
- (g) Write an example each for crecive and enacted institutions.