

SUBJECT : SOCIOLOGY – II

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Objective of the Course

The course seeks to introduce students to the study of human society in Indian context. The continuity between the present and past is an evident feature of Indian society, therefore the focus is on contemporary Indian society which will enable the students to gain a better understanding of their own society and enhance legal solutions to social issues.

UNIT – I: Historical structure of the Indian Society

A brief historical sketch of the Indian civilization – village communities – joint family system - society in contemporary India –nature of diversities in India – unity and national integration.

UNIT – II: Caste system in India

Meaning and definition of caste system – characteristics - factors facilitating growth of caste system – theories – changing trends – caste system in contemporary India.

UNIT – III: Women in India

The status of women – Ancient age – Medieval India – Modern period – Problems faced by women in modern India – the development and changing status of women.

UNIT – IV: Social change and social problems

Nature and characteristics of social change – sources of change – factors affecting social change – social problems - dowry – divorce – corruption – prostitution –and its legislative measures – Juvenile delinquency – Bonded labour, honour killing - Social unrest.

UNIT – V: Sociology of law in India

Law and disadvantaged group – Issue of reservation to caste and women's empowerment – Law and social change – Social perception of law in the global era – Social role of judiciary and legal profession in Indian society.

Books for Study:

1. Shankar Roa, C.N. 2011. Sociology of Indian society. S.Chand and Co., Ltd. New Delhi.
2. Vidhya Bhushan and Sachdeva, D.R. 2006. An Introduction to Sociology. Kitabi Mahal.
3. Francis Abraham, M.2006. Studies in Sociology, An Introduction to Concepts and Theories., Oxford University Press, New Delhi,

Books for Reference:

1. Mamoria C.B. Social Problems and Social Disorganisation in India.
2. Kuppuswamy B. Social Change in India.
3. Srinivas M.N., Caste in Modern India
4. Dube S.C. 1990. Society in India, New Delhi, National Book Trust.
5. Singh, Yogendra, 1973, Modernization of Indian Tradition , New Delhi, Thomas Press.
6. Ram Ahuja, Social Problems in India, Rawat Publication Jaipur and New Delhi 1997.
