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Section A

1. Answer the following: (20+20+10)
   (a) “Capitalism has robbed Workers off their subjective character”. Critically analyse the statement.
   (b) “Marxism has lost its relevance in 21st Century”. Examine the statement with suitable evidence.
   (c) Mechanisms of social change by Marx

2. Answer the following: (20+20+10)
   (a) “Social actions are not devoid of meanings but sociological studies should ignore them.” Comment.
   (b) Describe the theory of suicide by Durkheim in brief and comment on the possibility of suicide rate being an objective index of foreseeing dysfunctionality of certain institutions in society.
   (c) “Structure rather than change is the cause of prevailing anomie in modern society.” Discuss.

3. Answer the following: (20+20+10)
   (a) “Existence of God is not necessary for the existence of religion”. Comment.
   (b) Can you use Durkheimian theory of religion and society as methodological tool to explain communalism in India?
   (c) Normal and pathological social phenomena

4. Answer the following: (20+20+10)
   (a) How far Marx, Weber and Parsons characterization of nineteenth century capitalist Western Europe suffers from eurocentric biasness. Explain.
   (b) What, according to Max Weber, is the role of “Particular religious ideas” in the emergence of modern capitalism? (UPSC '09)
   (c) Traditional Authority.

Section B

5. Write short notes on the following: (20+20+10)
   (a) Examine how Weber’s characterisation of capitalism is different from those of Marx.
   (b) How Marxian characterization of history of Europe is different from that of Asia? Explain.
   (c) Explain Parsons’ concept of “lead society”.

6. Answer the following: (20+20+10)
   (a) G.H. Mead’s theory of genesis of self demonstrates a culturally biased viewpoint. Comment.
   (b) Discuss Parsons’ theory of social change and explain that society is in moving equilibrium.
   (c) Collective conscience.

7. Answer the following: (20+20+10)
   (a) Out of Max Weber and Emile Durkheim, whose approach is more fruitful for development of sociology as science and why?
   (b) “Throughout his life Weber talked to the ghost of Marx.” Discuss.
   (c) Social and Economic division of labour.

8. Answer the following: (20+20+10)
   (a) “Socialism and capitalism are contradictory but complementary ideology necessary for a democratic society”. Comment.
   (b) Compare Karl Marx with Emile Durkheim with reference to the framework of ‘division of labour’.
   (c) Internal Contradiction.