



MORIGAON COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS)

DRAFT SYLLABUS

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

FOUR YEARS UNDER GRADUATE PROGRAMME (FYUGP) AS PER

NEW EDUCATION POLICY (NEP) 2020

(This syllabus has been prepared for consideration under Board of Studies to be approved and accepted)

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

MORIGAON COLLEGE

SUBJECT: SOCIOLOGY

SEMESTER: FIRST

COURSE NAME: INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY

CREDIT: 4 **COURSE CODE: SOC-CORE-MN-0100104**

UNIT NO.	UNIT CONTENT	NO. OF CLASSES- 50
Unit 1: Sociology: Discipline and Perspective	a. Thinking Sociologically b. Sociology as Science (Comte, Durkheim, Weber, Marx) c. Emergence of Sociology and Social Anthropology d. Sociology and other Social Sciences: Anthropology, Philosophy, Psychology, Economics and History	10
Unit 2: Basic Concepts	Social group: meaning, features and types Socialization, Social control, Status and Role Communities, Associations and Institutions Social Change: Meaning, Nature and Factors of social change	20
Unit 3 Culture and Society	a. Culture and Society: Meaning and Types b. Ethnocentrism, Cultural Relativism, Cultural Pluralism, Diversity c. Approaches to the study of culture	20
	d. Processes of Culture: Diffusion, Acculturation, Assimilation, Enculturation, Cultural Lag	

READING LIST

Unit 1: Sociology: Discipline and Perspectives

a. Thinking Sociologically

- Inkeles, Alex. (1976). *What is Sociology? An Introduction to the Discipline and Profession*. Delhi. Prentice Hall of India.

b. Sociology as Science

- Aron, Raymond. (2022). *Main Currents in Sociological Thought Vol.1*: Delhi. Rawat. Chapter 3 Auguste Comte and Chapter 4, 'Karl Marx'.
- Aron, Raymond. (2022) *Main Currents in Sociological Thought Vol.2*: Delhi. Rawat. Chapter 4, 'Emile Durkheim' and Chapter 6, 'Max Weber'.
- H.H. Gerth and C. Wright Mills (Translated and edited), *From Max Weber: Essays in Sociology*, pp. 129-156, New York: Oxford University Press, 1946.
- Chalmers, A.F. (1976). *What is This Thing called Science?* Queensland. University of Queensland.

c. Emergence of Sociology and Social Anthropology

- Ritzer, George. (1996). *Classical Sociological Theory*. New York: McGraw Hill. Chapter 1, 'A Historical Sketch of Sociological Theory- The Early Years', (pp.13-46).

d. Sociology and Other Social Sciences

Sociology and Anthropology

- B  teille, Andre. (2002). *Sociology: Essays in Approach & Method*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press. Chapter 2, 'Sociology and Social Anthropology', (pp.28-54).

Sociology & Philosophy

- Bottomore, T. B. (1971). *Sociology: A Guide to Problems and Literature*. London: Allen and Unwin. Chapter 4, 'The Social Sciences, History and Philosophy', (pp.65-80).
- **Sociology & Psychology**
- Bottomore, T. B. (1971). *Sociology: A Guide to Problems and Literature*. London: Allen and Unwin. Chapter 4, 'The Social Sciences, History and Philosophy', (pp.65-80).

Beattie, J. (1964). *Other Cultures: Aims, Methods and Achievements in Social Anthropology*. London: Routledge & Kegan Paul Ltd. Chapter 2, 'Social Anthropology and Some Other Sciences of Man', (pp. 25-29).

Sociology & Economics

- Smelser, N. J. and Alex Inkeles (2013). *The Sociology of Economic Life*. Winscon, Quid Pro Books (Kindle Edition)
- Bottomore, T. B. (1971). *Sociology: A Guide to Problems and Literature*. London: Allen and Unwin. Chapter 4, 'The Social Sciences, History and Philosophy', (pp.65-80).
- Kumar, Krishan. (1978) *Prophecy and Progress: The Sociology of Industrial and Post-Industrial*, London, Allen Lane: The Penguin Press

Sociology & History

- Burke, Peter. (1980). *Sociology and History*. London: George Allen and Unwin. Chapter 1, 'Sociologists and Historians', (pp.13-30).
- MacIver, Robert M and Page, Charles Hunt. (1949). *Society*. New York: Rinehart. Chapter 10, 'Types of Social Groups', (pp.213-237).
- Horton, Paul B. and Hunt, Chester L. (2004). *Sociology*. New Delhi: Tata McGraw-Hill. Chapter 8, (pp.185-209).

Unit 2: Basic Concepts

- a. Social group: meaning, features and types
 - b. Socialization, Social control, Status and Role
 - c. Communities, Associations and Institutions
 - d. Social Change: Meaning, nature, Factors of social change
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- Bottomore, T. B. (1971). *Sociology: A Guide to Problems and Literature*. London: Allen and Unwin. Chapter 4, 'The Social Sciences, History and Philosophy', (pp.65-80).
 - MacIver, Robert M and Page, Charles Hunt. (1949). *Society*. New York: Rinehart. Chapter 10, 'Types of Social Groups', (pp. 213-237).
 - Horton, Paul B. and Hunt, Chester L. (2004). *Sociology*. New Delhi: Tata McGraw-Hill. Chapter 8, (pp. 185-209).
 - Horton, Paul B. and Hunt, Chester L. (2004). *Sociology*. New Delhi: Tata McGraw Hill. Chapter 9, (pp. 210-229).
 - Firth, Raymond. (1956). *Human Types*. Thomas Nelson & Sons. Chapter 3, 'Work and Wealth of Primitive Communities', (pp.71-97).

- Bierstedt, Robert. (1974). *The Social Order*. McGraw Hill. Chapter 20, 'The Problem of Social Change' (pp.527-567).
- Ritzer, George. (2004). *The McDonaldisation of Society*. Pine Forge Press. Chapter 1, 'An Introduction to McDonaldisation', (pp. 1-20), Chapter 2, McDonaldisation and Its Precursors' (pp. 21- 39), Chapter 9, 'McDonaldisation in a Changing World', (pp. 167- 199).

Unit 3 Culture and Society

- a. Culture and Society: Meaning and Types
- b. Ethnocentrism, Cultural Relativism, Cultural Pluralism, Diversity
- c. Approaches to the study of culture
- d. Diffusion, Acculturation, Assimilation, Enculturation, Cultural Lag

- Bierstedt, Robert. (1974). *The Social Order*. New York: McGraw Hill Book Company. Part 3, Chapter 5, 'The Meaning of Culture', (pp. 125-151), Chapter 6, 'The Content of Culture', (pp. 152-187), Chapter 7, 'The Acquisition of Culture', (pp.188-212).
- Redfield, Robert. (1956). How Human Society Operates. In Harry L. Shapiro (Ed.) *Man, Culture and Society* (pp.345-368). New York: Oxford University Press.
- Sumner, W.G. (2007). *Folkways: A Study of Mores, manners, Customs and Morals*. India. Cosimo Classics
- Ogburn, W.F. and M.F. Nimkoff (1940) *Sociology*, California, University of California

COURSE OBJECTIVES

- To introduce students to the field of Sociology and its basic concepts.
- To understand the historical trajectory of the discipline of Sociology
- To introduce the students to a sociological way of thinking.
- To provide a foundation for the other more detailed and specialized courses in Sociology

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- The course will enable students to comprehend social reality through sociological concepts.
- The course will assist students for higher studies, competitive examinations and research work.
- Enable critical and analytical thinking.
- Enable them to develop empathy, communication skills and multicultural competence.

THEORY CREDIT: 4

NUMBER OF CONTACT CLASSES:50