

# DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY, UNIVERSITY OF KASHMIR

## Syllabus for P.G Entrance Test 2025 (Sociology)

### Unit 1: Sociology as a Discipline

- Nature and subject matter of Sociology
- Schools of Thought: Formalistic and Synthetic
- Emergence of sociology as a Scientific Discipline: French Revolution, Industrial revolution and Enlightenment Period

### Unit 2: Basic Concepts

- Society: Concept and features
- Community: Concept and features
- Social Groups: Primary, Secondary and Reference

### Unit 3: Social Institutions

- Family: Structure and Function
- Marriage: Structure and Function
- Kinship: Consanguineous and Affinal

### Unit 4: Social Processes

- Socialization
- Social Change
- Social Control

### Unit 5: Social Movements

- Social Movements: Concept, Features and Types
- Theories of Social Movements: Relative Deprivation Theory and Conflict Theory
- Social Movements in India: Tribal, Peasant and Feminist

### Unit 6: Social Stratification

- Social Stratification: Concept, Nature and Forms
- Perspectives on Social Stratification: Functionalist, Conflict and Weberian
- Social Mobility: Modernization, Sanskritization and Islamization

### Unit 7: Social Research and Design

- Nature and Scope of Social Research
- Research design: Concept and Significance
- Types of Research Design

### Unit 8: Sampling

- Sampling: Meaning and Significance
- Types of Sampling: Probability and Non-probability
- Advantages and disadvantages of Sampling

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## **Unit 9: Tools of data collection**

- Questionnaire
- Interview
- Observation

## **Unit 10: Classical Sociological Tradition**

- Emile Durkheim
- Karl Marx
- Max Weber

## **Unit 11: Structure and approaches of Indian Society**

- Composition of Indian Society: Religion and Lingual
- Concept & features of caste and class
- Convergence of Caste and Class in Indian Society

## **Unit 12: Religion and Society**

- Nature and Significance
- Forms of Religion: Animism, Naturism and Totemism
- Emerging Issues: Religious Diversity, Secularism

## **Unit 13: Social Demography**

- Sources of Demographic Data: Census, Vital Statistics and Sample Surveys
- Demographic Processes: Fertility, Mortality and Migration
- Population theories: Malthusian Theory, Demographic Transition Theory, Dumont's Theory of Population

## **Unit 14: Rural Sociology**

- Nature and Scope of Rural Sociology; Agrarian social structure
- Theoretical Approaches: Structural functional, Marxist, Subaltern
- Panchayati Raj System, Land reforms in India

## **Unit 15: Urban Sociology**

- Nature and Scope of Urban Sociology, Chicago School: Major Works
- Theoretical Approaches: Max Weber, Park and Burgess, G. Simmel and Louis Wirth
- Urbanization and Urban Problems in India

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