

Sociology Syllabus

Unit-1:

- **Sociology:** Meaning and Subject Matter, Emergence of Sociology, Scope of Sociology, Relationship with other Social Sciences
- **Basic Concepts:** Society and Community, Associations, Institutions, Social Groups Culture, Role and Status
- **Social Processes:** Associative and Dissociative, Social Change, Social Stratification and Social control
- **Institutions of the Society:** Political, Economic, Religion

Unit-2

- **Composition of Indian Society:** Religious, Linguistic, Racial, Issues of National Integration
- **Major Social Institutions in India:**
Marriage and Family in India: Hindu Marriage as a Sacrament, Forms of Hindu Marriage and Changes in the Institution of Marriage
Hindu Joint Family-Meaning, Features, Functions and Changes
Marriage and Family among the Muslims & Christians
The Caste System in India: Features, Functions and Changes
- **Processes of Social Change in India:** Sanskritisation, Westernisation, Secularisation and Globalisation
- **Social Movements in India:** Concept of Movement, Theories of Movement , Stages in Social Movement
Major movements in India: Peasant Movements, Backward class Movements, Environmental Movements

Unit-3

- **Auguste Comte:** Law of the Three Stages, Hierarchy of Sciences & Positivism
- **Herbert Spencer** Organismic Analogy, Theory of Social Evolution
- **Emile Durkheim:** Division of Labour in Society, Rules of Sociological Method, Theory of Suicide, Theory of Religion
Max Weber: Social Action, Protestant ethic and the spirit of capitalism, Ideal type, Bureaucracy, Authority
- **Karl Marx :** Dialectical Materialism, Class struggle, Alienation, Sociology of Capitalism

Unit-4

- **Sociology of Gender:** Social Construction of Gender, Gender Stereotyping and Gender Socialization, Gender Role and Identity, Theories of Feminism-Liberal, Radical, Socialist, Marxist and Eco feminism
- **Gender and Development:** Approaches -WAD, WID and GAD, Gender Mainstreaming, Gender Development Index, Practical Gender Needs and Strategic Gender Needs
- **Sociology of Environment:** Sociology of Environment as a sub discipline, Ecology and Environment, Sustainable Development, Global warming and Climate Change
- **Social Change and Development :** Meaning and theories of Social change, Models of Development: Capitalist, Socialist and Gandhian Models, Human Development Index

Unit-5

- **Social Research:** Major Steps in Social Research, Scientific Method, Applicability of Scientific Method in social research, Hypothesis & Sampling, Tools and Techniques of Data Collection
- **Sociology of Health:** Social determinants of Health, Health issues in India, Major Health Policies, Programmes and Practices in India
- **Sociology of Urbanisation:** Theories of Urbanisation, Major urban issues, Major Urban Development Policies and Programmes in India
- **Sociology of Education:** Theories of Education, Major challenges to Education in India, Major Educational Policies and Programmes in India