M.A. Sociology (ODL Mode) M.A. SEMESTER – IV

SC 05-II SOCIOLOGY OF GLOBALIZATION

V. Making sense of globalization

a. Meaning, understanding various intellectual positions - globalists, sceptics, internationalists

b. Political economy and historical roots, from development to globalization

c. Before and after Bretton Woods, Neo-liberalism and global financial institutions (GATT, IMF, World Bank, WTO....)

d. Dimensions of globalization - economic, political and cultural

VI. Debates and approaches to globalization

a. Anthony Giddens - globalization as intensification of modernity

b. Hirst and Thompson - globalization as a necessary myth

c. Arjun Appadurai - globalization - disjuncture and difference

d. Manuel Castells - Network society

VII. Globalization and global inequalities

a. Labour in a global economy - New International division of labour, labour in knowledge economy

b. Transnational Migration - transnational communities and families, issues of race and ethnicity

c. Globalization, gender and sexualities

d. Globalization, climate change and social justice

VIII. Alternatives and responses

a. Global social movements

b. Transnational Civil Society

c. Lessons learnt for COVID-19

SC 06-II SOCIOLOGY OF HUMAN RIGHTS

Unit V. Conceptual and Philosophical Background of Human Rights

a. Meaning, characteristics and generational classification

b. Natural rights theory, Marxist and Liberal theories, Feminist perspective

c. Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) and debates (Are Human Rights Universal? &

critique of dichotomy & a case for integrated approach)

Unit VI. Major Human Rights Issues in India

a. Rights of Vulnerable Groups: Dalits, Tribals, Minorities, Poor (the bottom billion)

b. Rights of Women and Children

c. Rights of the Disabled

Unit VII. Contemporary Developments in Human Rights

- a. Development and Human Rights (Right to Development)
- b. Human Rights and Globalisation
- c. Environment and Human Rights

d. Right to Information, Right to Health, Right to Education

Unit VIII. Civil Society, Social Movement and Critique of Human Rights

A. Civil Society and Social Movement

a. Social Movements and Social Construction of Human Rights (Anti-Corruption Movement,

Nirbhaya Movement, Anti-globalisation Movement etc.)

b. Emerging "Global Civil Society"

B. Relevance and Critiques of Human Rights

a. Global Relevance of Human Rights

b. A Contemporary Critique of/Attack on Human Rights

c. The Future of Human Rights

SC 07-II ETHNICITY AND NATIONALISM IN INDIA

Unit 5. Concept and theories of ethnicity

a. Concepts-Ethnicity, Pluralism (centripetal and centrifugal forces), Multiculturalism, ethnic consciousness and identity, ethnic resurgence

b. Perspectives on ethnicity- i) Classical Sociological Perspective ii) Functionalism iii) Elite Theory

iv) Neo-Marxist v) Sociobiology vi) Anti foundationalist approaches vii) Communal perspective

c. Processes of ethnicization-caste, race, religion, class and gender

Unit 6. Nations, Nationalism and Nation-State

a. Defining the terms: Nation, Nationalism, Nation-States

b. Emergence of Nationalism in India-

Nation and nationalism- Western roots

· Historical and contemporary notions of nation and nationalism in India

c. Many Voices of Nation in India

Unit 7. Nation Building in India

a. The nature of cultural diversity in India

b. Secularism in India

· Mapping the concept

· Crisis of secularism in India

c. Ethnic (sub-national movements) resurgence

· Concept of sub nationalism, secessionism

• Problems in nation-building- Tamil nationalism, Jharkhand, Punjab, Bodoland, Kashmir, Telangana, Chhattisgarh.

Unit 8. Diaspora: Issues of ethnicity and identity

a. Defining diaspora

b. Concepts and intersections- Home and memory, Migration, Transnationalism, Hybridity, Citizenship, diaspora and Gender, diaspora and films, literature and performance

c. Indian diaspora: issues of identity

SC 08-II SOCIOLOGY OF LAW AND POLICING

Unit V. Introduction-Concept and Relevance

a. Law: Concept and relevance through historical periods

b. Law and social control

c. Law and Social Transformation: Concept and Models on Social Transformation

d. Culture and Law

Unit VI. Theories and Perspectives

a. Classical theories and Perspectives

Structural -Functional, The Durkheimian Perspective, The Weberian, The Marxian, Conflict Perspective

b. Contemporary Perspectives

Michael Foucault; Modern Law as Social Control, Pieree Bourdieu: Law and Power Politics, Niklas Luhman: Law as a Social System

Unit VII. Inequality, Crime and Legal Provisions in India

a. Laws around Gender Inequality: Patriarchal System and Gender Inequality, Legal Provisions, Hetero normativity, Homophobia

b. Laws around Access to resources and Livelihoods: Land, Water, Forests, Air, Right to Livelihood, Right to Food, Right to Work

c. Child Abuse and Crime Against Children: Domestic Violence, Labour Exploitation; Legal measurements against Child Abuse

d. Law and Social Stratification, Caste System, Communalism and Inequality; Crime against SCs, STs, and minorities

Unit VIII. State and Law Enforcement

a. Social Surveillance, Technologies of surveillance

b. Violence, Custodial deaths,

c. Over emphasis on force and torture