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Masters in Sociology
MSO-004: Sociology in India
Tutor Marked Assignment (TMA)

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Maximum Marks: 100

Weightage: 30%

Answer any five questions selecting at least *two* from each Section. Your answer should be in about 500 words each.

Section-I

1. Describe the three major Western perspectives on Indian society and culture, and assess how they contributed to the emergence and development of sociology in India. 20
2. Examine the social structure of Indian villages from a sociological perspective. 20
3. Discuss the origin and development of the caste system in India from a colonial perspective. 20
4. Compare the 'field-view' and 'book-view' of caste in India. 20
5. Describe the main theoretical perspectives on the family. 20

Section-II

6. Explain how caste and gender intersect to shape social roles and inequalities in Indian society. Support your answer with suitable examples. 20
7. What were the main concerns of the Constituent Assembly regarding tribal people, and how were these addressed in the Indian Constitution? 20
8. Briefly explain how religion and politics are interrelated in Indian society. Give one historical and one contemporary example to substantiate your answer. 20
9. What was Mahatma Gandhi's view on industrialisation and village development? 20
10. What are the key features of new social movements? Discuss with examples. 20