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MA Semester Examinations
URBAN SOCIOLOGY
Course Code: MSO23504T

Full Marks – 50

Time –2 hours

The figure in the margin indicates full marks for the questions.

Answer ALL questions
(10 x 1 mark = 10 marks)

1. i. What is urbanization?
 - A. Movement of people from rural to urban areas
 - B. Movement of people from urban to rural areas
 - C. Expansion of agricultural lands in urban areas
 - D. Migration of people between cities

- ii. Which theory suggests that cities grow outward from a central point in a series of concentric rings?
 - A. Sector theory
 - B. Multiple nuclei theory
 - C. Concentric zone theory
 - D. Urban growth theory

- iii. Who introduced the concept of 'Urbanism as a Way of Life'?
 - A. Georg Simmel
 - B. Jane Addams
 - C. Robert Park
 - D. Louis Wirth

- iv. Who proposed the Sector Theory of urban development, emphasizing the expansion of cities along specific sectors?
 - A. Ernest Burgess
 - B. Homer Hoyt
 - C. Louis Wirth
 - D. Robert Park

- v. What defines a slum area?
- A. Low population density and well-built housing
 - B. High population density and modern infrastructure
 - C. Densely populated areas with inadequate housing and poor amenities
 - D. Sparsely populated areas with modern amenities
- vi. Which of the following factors contribute to the high population density in urban cities?
- A. Availability of vast agricultural land
 - B. Proximity to natural reserves and national parks
 - C. Extensive public transportation systems
 - D. Limited job opportunities
- vii. What is a significant contributing factor to the breakdown of joint families in urban areas due to urbanization?
- A. Increased availability of housing options
 - B. Greater financial stability among family members
 - C. Expansion of nuclear family ideologies
 - D. Decreased career opportunities in cities
- viii. Who wrote the essay 'The Metropolis and Mental Life'?
- A. Emile Durkheim
 - B. Karl Marx
 - C. Georg Simmel
 - D. Max Weber
- ix. What does the term 'juvenile delinquency' refer to?
- A. Adult criminal behaviour
 - B. Acts of kindness and generosity
 - C. Criminal offenses committed by young individuals
 - D. Educational achievements in adolescence
- x. Max Weber's concept of the city primarily emphasizes:
- A. Agricultural practices
 - B. Urbanization and industrialization
 - C. Nomadic lifestyles
 - D. Natural landscapes

Answer ANY TWO questions

(2 x 5 marks = 10 marks)

(Word limit- 200 – 250 words)

2. Discuss the nature and scope of urban sociology.

3. Write a short note on multiple nuclei theory.
4. Define city. Mention a few characteristics.
5. Discuss the changes in family as a social institution due to urbanization.

Answer ANY THREE questions
(3 x 10 marks = 30 marks)
(Word limit- 450 - 500 words)

6. Explain the concept of urbanization and its impact on social structures. Highlight key differences between urban and rural societies. 6+4= 10
7. Discuss the various characteristics of an urban community.
8. Explain the key principles of the Concentric Zone Theory proposed by Ernest Burgess. Describe the concentric zones and their characteristics as outlined in the theory.
9. What do you mean by urban crime? Highlight some major causes of crime. Give two examples of urban crime. 2+4+4= 10
10. Describe the key ideas presented by Georg Simmel in 'The Metropolis and Mental Life.'