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SOCIOLOGY **MENTORSHIP** **PROGRAMME**



CRASH COURSE & TEST SERIES.



WITH **19+ YEARS** OF TEACHING EXPERIENCE
WHAT I HAVE UNDERSTOOD TO MAKE A STUDENT INTO
A BUREAUCRAT IS HIS

COMMITMENT TO THE PREPARATION
PROCESS DURING HIS SETBACKS...

-S. Sivarajavel



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AN IDEAL INSTITUTE FOR CIVIL SERVICE EXAMS

COMPONENTS OF THE SOCIOLOGY MENTORSHIP PROGRAMME 2025

ONE YEAR TEST SERIES

PHASE - I

PAPER I
07 SECTIONAL TEST
+ 01 FULL TEST

PAPER II
05 SECTIONAL TEST
+ 01 FULL TEST

PHASE - II

PAPER I & PAPER II
INTEGRATED TESTS

08 SECTIONAL TEST
+ 04 FULL TEST

CRASH COURSE

COMPLETE REVISION
OF SOCIOLOGY WITHIN
60+ HOURS



DETAILED DISCUSSION
OF THE TEST +
ANSWER KEY (PDF)

MENTORSHIP
FEEDBACK & ANALYSIS
OF THE TEST PAPERS
From **Mr.S.SIVARAJVEL**

TEST BATCH SCHEDULE 2024

Under the Guidance of
S. SIVARAJAVEL
19+ Years of experience in
Teaching Sociology



PHASE I (PAPER-I)

TEST - 1

DATE : 16.07.2024

Unit - I Sociology As A Discipline

Unit II - Sociology as Science

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Modernity and social changes in Europe and emergence of Sociology.b. Scope of the subject and comparison with other social sciences.c. Sociology and common sense | <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Science, Scientific methods and critique.b. Major theoretical strands of research methodologyc. Positivism and its critique.d. Fact value and objectivity.e. Non-positivist methodology. |
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TEST - 2

DATE: 23.07.2024

Unit IV - Sociological Thinkers

Unit VI - Works and Economic Life

(a) KARL MARX

Historical materialism,
Mode of production,
Alienation,
Class struggle.

- a. Social organization of work in different types of society - slave society, feudal society, industrial capitalist society.
- b. Formal and informal organization of work.
- c. Labour and society.

TEST - 3

DATE: 30.07.2024

Unit IV - Sociological Thinkers

Unit VIII - Religion and Society

(b) EMILE DURKHEIM

Division of labour, social fact,
suicide, religion and society.

- a. Sociological theories of religion.
- b. Types of religious practices: animism, monism, pluralism, sects, cults.
- c. Religion in modern society: religion and science, secularization, religious revivalism, fundamentalism.

TEST - 4

DATE : 06.08.2024

Unit-IV Sociological Thinkers

(c) MAX WEBER

Social action, Ideal types, Bureaucracy,
Protestant ethic and the spirit of capitalism.

Unit - VII Politics and Society

- a. Sociological theories of power.
- b. Power elite, bureaucracy, pressure groups and political parties.
- c. Nation, state, citizenship, democracy, civil society, ideology.
- d. Protest, agitation, social movements, collective action, revolution.

TEST - 5

DATE : 13.08.2024

Unit-IV Sociological Thinkers

(d) TALCOLTT PARSONS

Social system, Pattern variables.

Unit - IX Systems of Kinship

- a. Family, household, marriage.
- b. Types and forms of family.
- c. Lineage and descent.
- d. Patriarchy and sexual division of labour.
- e. Contemporary trends.

TEST - 6

DATE : 20.08.2024

Unit-IV(e) Sociological Thinkers

(e) ROBERT K. MERTON

Latent and manifest functions,
Conformity and deviance,
Reference groups

Unit - V Stratification and Mobility

- a. Concepts - equality, inequality, hierarchy, exclusion, poverty, and deprivation.
- b. Theories of social stratification - Structural functionalist theory, Marxist theory, Weberian theory.
- c. Dimensions - Social stratification of class, status groups, gender, ethnicity and race.
- d. Social mobility - open and closed systems, types of mobility, sources and causes of mobility.

TEST - 7

DATE : 27.08.2024

Unit-IV Sociological Thinkers

(f) MEAD - Self and identity.

Unit - X Social Change in Modern Society

- a. Sociological theories of social change.
- b. Development and dependency.
- c. Agents of social change.
- d. Education and social change.
- e. Science, technology, and social change.

Unit - III Research Methods and Analysis

- a. Qualitative and quantitative methods.
- b. Techniques of data collection.
- c. Variables, sampling, hypothesis, reliability, and validity.

PHASE I (PAPER-II)

TEST - 8

DATE:03.09.2024

A. Introducing Indian Society

I. PERSPECTIVES ON THE STUDY OF INDIAN SOCIETY:

- Indology (G.S. Ghure).
- Structural functionalism (M. N. Srinivas).
- Marxist sociology (A. R. Desai).

II. IMPACT OF COLONIAL RULE ON INDIAN SOCIETY:

- Social background of Indian nationalism.
- Modernization of Indian tradition.
- Protests and movements during the colonial period.
- Social reforms.

B. Social Structure

I.RURAL AND AGRARIAN SOCIAL STRUCTURE:

- The idea of Indian village and village studies.
- Agrarian social structure— evolution of land tenure system, land reforms.

TEST - 9

DATE:10.09.2024

B. Social Structure:

II. CASTE SYSTEM:

- Perspectives on the study of caste systems: G.S.Ghurye, M.N.Srinivas,Louis Dumont, Andre Beteille.
- Features of caste system.
- Untouchability-forms and perspectives

III. TRIBAL COMMUNITIES IN INDIA:

- Definitional problems.
- Geographical spread.
- Colonial policies and tribes.
- Issues of integration and autonomy.

IV. SOCIAL CLASSES IN INDIA:

- Agrarian class structure.
- Industrial class structure.
- Middle classes in India.

TEST - 10

DATE: 17.09.2024

B. Social Structure:

V. SYSTEMS OF KINSHIP IN INDIA:

- Lineage and descent in India.
- Types of kinship systems.
- Family and marriage in India.
- Household dimensions of the family.
- Patriarchy, entitlements, and sexual division of labour.

VI. RELIGION AND SOCIETY:

- Religious communities in India.
- Problems of religious minorities.

C. Social Changes in India:

I. VISIONS OF SOCIAL CHANGE IN INDIA:

- Idea of development planning and mixed economy.
- Constitution, law, and social change.
- Education and social change.

TEST - 11

DATE:24.09.2024

C. Social Changes in India:

II. RURAL AND AGRARIAN TRANSFORMATION IN INDIA:

- Programmes of rural development, Community Development Programme, cooperatives, poverty alleviation schemes.
- Green revolution and social change.
- Changing modes of production in Indian agriculture.
- Problems of rural labour, bondage, migration.

III. INDUSTRIALIZATION AND URBANISATION IN INDIA:

- Evolution of modern industry in India.
- Growth of urban settlements in India.
- Working class: structure, growth, class mobilization.
- Informal sector, child labour.
- Slums and deprivation in urban areas.

IV. POLITICS AND SOCIETY:

- Nation, democracy and citizenship.
- Political parties, pressure groups, social and political elite.
- Regionalism and decentralization of power.
- Secularization.

TEST - 12

DATE:01.10.2024

C. Social Changes in India:

V. SOCIAL MOVEMENTS IN MODERN INDIA:

- Peasants and farmers' movements.
- Women's movement.
- Backward classes & Dalit movements.
- Environmental movements.
- Ethnicity and Identity movements.

VI. POPULATION DYNAMICS:

- Population size, growth, composition and distribution.
- Components of population growth: birth, death, migration.
- Population Policy and family planning.
- Emerging issues: ageing, sex ratios, child and infant mortality, reproductive health.

VII. CHALLENGES OF SOCIAL TRANSFORMATION:

- Crisis of development: displacement, environmental problems and sustainability.
- Poverty, deprivation and inequalities.
- Violence against women.
- Caste conflicts.
- Ethnic conflicts, communalism, religious revivalism.
- Illiteracy and disparities in education.

TEST - 13

08.10.2024

PAPER - 1

FULL TEST -PAPER 1

(250 MARKS)

TEST - 14

15.10.2024

PAPER - 2

FULL TEST -PAPER 2

(250 MARKS)



CRASH COURSE SCHEDULE

CLASS -01

TEST - 01 SYLLABUS

CLASS -02

TEST - 02 SYLLABUS

CLASS -03

TEST - 03 SYLLABUS

CLASS -04

TEST - 04 SYLLABUS

CLASS -05

TEST - 05 SYLLABUS

CLASS -06

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CLASS -10

TEST - 10 SYLLABUS

CLASS -11

TEST - 11 SYLLABUS

CLASS -12

TEST - 12 SYLLABUS

SOCIOLOGY CRASH COURSE VIDEOS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO STUDENTS UPON THE ENROLLMENT FOR SMP.
THE ACCESS FOR VIDEOS WILL BE AVAILABLE TILL 30/10/2024.

PHASE II

(The test will be scheduled after the completion of
UPSC PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION 2025)

TEST -15

PAPER - I

Unit-I Sociology - The Discipline Unit II - Sociology as Science

- a. Modernity and social changes in Europe and emergence of Sociology.
- b. Scope of the subject and comparison with other social sciences.
- c. Sociology and common sense.
- a. Science, Scientific methods and critique.
- b. Major theoretical strands of research methodology
- c. Positivism and its critique.
- d. Fact value and objectivity.
- e. Non-positivist methodology.

PAPER - II

A.Introducing Indian Society:

- 1. Perspectives on the Study of Indian Society:
 - a. Indology (G.S. Ghurye).
 - b. Structural functionalism (M. N. Srinivas).
 - c. Marxist sociology (A. R. Desai).
- 2. Impact of colonial rule on Indian society:
 - a. Social background of Indian nationalism.
 - b. Modernization of Indian tradition.
 - c. Protests and movements during the colonial period.
 - d. Social reforms.

TEST -16

PAPER -I

Unit IV - Sociological Thinkers

(A) Karl Marx - Historical materialism, mode of production, alienation, class struggle.

Unit VI - Works and Economic Life

- a. Social organization of work in different types of society - slave society, feudal society, industrial capitalist society.
- b. Formal and informal organization of work.
- c. Labour and society.

B.SocialStructure:

IV.Social Classes in India:
(a) Agrarian class structure.
(b) Industrial class structure.
(c) Middle classes in India.

C.Social Changes in India

III.Industrialization and Urbanisation in India:
(a) Evolution of modern industry in India.
(b) Growth of urban settlements in India.
(c) Working class: structure, growth, class mobilization.
(d) Informal sector, child labour.
(e) Slums and deprivation in urban areas.

TEST -17

PAPER -I

Unit IV - Sociological Thinkers

(b) Emile Durkheim - Division of labour,social fact, suicide,religion and society.

(c) Max Weber - Social action, ideal types,bureaucracy, authority, protestant ethic and the spirit of capitalism.

Unit VIII - Religion and Society:

- a. Sociological theories of religion.
- b. Types of religious practices: animism, monism, pluralism, sects, cults.
- c. Religion in modern society: religion and science, secularization, religious revivalism, fundamentalism

PAPER -II

B.Social Structure VI.Religion and Society:

- (a) Religious communities in India. (b) Problems of religious minorities

TEST -18

PAPER -I

Unit VII - Politics and Society:

- (a) Sociological theories of power.
- (b) Power elite, bureaucracy, pressure groups and political parties.
- (c) Nation, state, citizenship, democracy, civil society, ideology.
- (d) Protest, agitation, social movements, collective action, revolution.

PAPER -II

C.Social Changes in India

IV .Politics and Society:

- (a) Nation, democracy and citizenship.
- (b) Political parties, pressure groups, social and political elite.
- (c) Regionalism and decentralization of power.
- (d) Secularization.

V.Social Movements in Modern India:

- (a) Peasants and farmers' movements.
- (b) Women's movement.
- (c) Backward classes & Dalit movements.
- (d) Environmental movements.
- (e) Ethnicity and Identity movements.

GET YOUR **DREAMS**
REALIZED THROUGH
SOCIOLOGY



TEST -19

PAPER - I

Unit-IV Sociology Thinkers

- (d) Talcott Parsons - Social system, pattern variables.
- (e) Robert K. Merton - Latent and manifest functions, conformity and deviance, reference groups.

PAPER - II

B.Social Structure

- I. Rural and Agrarian Social Structure:
- a. The idea of Indian village and village studies
 - b. Agrarian social structure evolution of land tenure system, land reforms.

C.Social Changes in India

- II.Rural and Agrarian Transformation in India:
- a. Programmes of rural development, Community Development Programme, cooperatives, poverty alleviation schemes.
 - b. Green revolution and social change.
 - c. Changing modes of production in Indian agriculture.
 - d. Problems of rural labour, bondage, migration.

TEST -20

PAPER - I

Unit- V Stratification and Mobility:

- a. Concepts - equality, inequality, hierarchy, exclusion, poverty, and deprivation.
- b. Theories of social stratification - Structural functionalist theory, Marxist theory, Weberian theory.
- c. Dimensions - Social stratification of class, status groups, gender, ethnicity and race.
- d. Social mobility - open and closed systems, types of mobility, sources and causes of mobility.

PAPER - II

B.Social Structure

- II.Caste System:
- a. Perspectives on the study of caste systems: G. S. Ghurye, M. N. Srinivas, Louis Dumont, Andre Beteille.
 - b. Features of caste system.
 - c. Untouchability-forms and perspectives

III.Tribal Communities in India:

- a. Definitional problems.
- b. Geographical spread.
- c. Colonial policies and tribes.
- d. Issues of integration and autonomy.

TEST -21

PAPER - I

Unit- III RESEARCH METHODS AND ANALYSIS:

- a. Qualitative and quantitative methods.
- b. Techniques of data collection.
- c. Variables, sampling, hypothesis, reliability, and validity.

Unit- IX : Systems of Kinship:

- a. Family,household, marriage.
- b. Types and forms of family.
- c. Lineage and descent.
- d. Patriarchy and sexual division of labour.
- e. Contemporary trends.

PAPER - II

C.Social Changes in India

- VI.Population Dynamics:
- a. Population size, growth, composition and distribution.
 - b. Components of population growth: birth, death, migration.
 - c. Population Policy and family planning.
 - d. Emerging issues: ageing, sex ratios, child and infant mortality, reproductive health.

B.Social Structure

- V.Systems of Kinship in India:
- a. Lineage and descent in India.
 - b. Types of kinship systems.
 - c. Family and marriage in India.
 - d. Household dimensions of the family.
 - e. Patriarchy, entitlements, and sexual division of labour.

TEST -22

PAPER - I

UNIT-4-Sociological Thinkers

- f. Mead - Self and identity.

Unit- X : Social Change in Modern Society:

- a. Sociological theories of social change.
- b. Development and dependency.
- c. Agents of social change.
- d. Education and social change.
- e. Science, technology, and social change.

PAPER - II

C.Social Changes in India

- I. Visions of Social Change in India:
- a. Idea of development planning and mixed economy.
 - b. Constitution, law, and social change.
 - c.Education and social change.

VII.Challenges of Social Transformation:

- a.Crisis of development: displacement, environmental problems & sustainability.
- b. Poverty, deprivation and inequalities.
- c. Violence against women.
- d. Caste conflicts.
- e. Ethnic conflicts, communalism, religious revivalism.
- f. Illiteracy and disparities in education.

TEST -23

PAPER - 1

FULL TEST -PAPER 1

TEST -24

PAPER - 2

FULL TEST -PAPER 2

TEST -25

PAPER - 1

ALL INDIA MOCK TEST -PAPER 1

TEST -26

PAPER - 2

ALL INDIA MOCK TEST -PAPER 2

Fees Details :**Sociology Mentorship Programme = ₹ 23,000****Phase - I + Crash Course = ₹ 15,000****Crash Course = ₹ 8,000**

*Students who have completed their Sociology Integrated course at SRV can avail ₹ 1000/ discount on any of the above course.
Fees inclusive of GST*

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:**PHASE I TEST****Offline :****Test Timing :3pm -4.30pm****Test Discussion :5.00 pm -7.00 pm**

(for Tests 13 & 14 only Recorded video discussions will be Available)

- Candidates can reschedule the test based on their convenience, However Phase I must be completed on or before **31/10/2024**.

Online :

- Test question paper, answer sheet will be sent via telegram channel at 3 pm on the scheduled date of every test.
- Candidates can reschedule the test based on their convenience, However Phase I must be completed on or before **31/10/2024**.
- Recorded discussion videos will be available till **31/10/2024**.

PHASE II TEST**Offline :****Test Timing :8am - 11am****Test Discussion :11.30am -2.30 pm**

- Dates for phase II will be Updated in June 2025.
- Candidates can reschedule the test based on their convenience, However Phase I must be completed on or before commencement of **MAINS 2025**
- **Online :**
- Test question paper, answer sheet will be sent via telegram channel at 8 am on the scheduled date of every test.
- Candidates can reschedule the test based on their convenience, However Phase II must be completed on or before commencement of **MAINS 2025**
- Recorded discussion videos will be available till commencement of **MAINS 2025**

- Students will receive the Question paper, Answer booklet, Discussion video, Pointers only Via test batch Telegram Channel.
- The answer script must be mailed only to **sivarajavelsociology@gmail.com**
- Evaluated answer scripts will be provided within **7 working days** from the date of receipt of the answer scripts. Candidates are required to submit one answer script at a time.
- They shall submit their next answer script only after the evaluation of their first answer script.
- Offline/Online Individual assessment and feedback will be provided by **Mr.S.SIVARAJAVEL** through appointment .
- Sivarajavel IAS Academy reserves all rights to make any changes in test series schedule, if need arises so. Fee once paid is non-refundable and non-transferable in any circumstances.

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Sociology test series at **SIVARAJAVEL IAS ACADEMY** proved to be immensely helpful in my Mains preparation. Sivarajavel sir used to provide model answers during test discussion with ready made introduction and conclusion ,which often gets repeated in **(UPSC CSE Mains)** exam . He was a constant pillar of support.I would like to thank him for my success.



Mr. SAURABH SHARMA

306 marks in Sociology optional
AIR 23, UPSC CSE2023



I OWE SO MUCH OF MY SUCCESS TO SIVARAJAVEL SIR

because he was my tutor as well as my mentor. His strategy yielded so much marks in sociology.

This time i got **298 MARKS** in Sociology. Because of his classes ,Test batch discussion and rewriting of the discussed answers i was able to score so much marks in Sociology. I was called for interview three times and sociology was the reason for being called for the interview all the three times.If you are a fresher and struggling with answer writing sivarajavel sir's dictated answer are a bulk of source ,you can just like that write mains.



Mr. B. Karthik, IPS

298 marks in Sociology optional
AIR 488, UPSC CSE2022



TOPPERS TESTIMONIALS



MR. S. SAI MURALI, IFS
SOCIOLOGY SCORE **321 / 500**
UPSC CSE 2019

Sivarajavel sir has ably guided me to a score like 320+ which could otherwise been Unimaginable

I never thought i could cross the 300+ mark barrier in Sociology, but with Sivarajavel sir's class, guidance, test series, discussion of answers and rewriting of answers i was able to score more than 300.



ANKIT ASOKAN IPS
SOCIOLOGY SCORE **303/500**
UPSC CSE 2016



SHANMUGA VALLI IRS
SOCIOLOGY SCORE **303/500**
UPSC CSE 2020

Main reason for me clearing the Civil Service Exam is Sociology Optional. Thank you very much for Sivarajavel sir for guiding me to success.



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SOCIOLOGY Teaching

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OPTIONAL

