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- **PEDAGOGY-** First 20 mins every day we will discuss the previous years questions in the class on the topics covered in the previous class.
- The classes will start from Chapter 1 of Paper 1 and will follow the sequence given in the syllabus of UPSC Mains Sociology.
- **MATERIAL-** All the material will be provided in two formats i.e Hand written and Typed .
- **CURRENT AFFAIRS-** The current aspects of every topic will be inculcated in the classes. The sources of current affairs which will be covered are-**EPW, THE HINDU, INDIAN EXPRESS.**
- Current compilations and list of thinkers (topic wise) will also be provided.

Timetable

Paper	Chapter	Sub Topic	Status
PAPER - 1	Introduction	• Basic theories and approaches in Sociology	18 Oct - 20 Oct
	1) Sociology - The Discipline	• Modernity and Social change in Europe • Scope of the subject and comparison • Sociology and common sense	27 Oct - 31 Oct 07 Nov - 10 Nov
	2) Sociology as Science	• Science, scientific method and critique • Major theoretical strands of research methodology • Positivism and its critique • Fact value and objectivity • Non- positivist methodologies	11 Nov - 18 Nov
	3) Research Methods and Analysis	• Qualitative and quantitative methods • Techniques of data collection • Variables, Sampling, Hypothesis, Reliability and Validity	21 Nov - 25 Nov
	4) Sociological Thinkers	• Karl Marx-Historical materialism, MOP, Class and class conflict, Alienation • Emile Durkheim-DOL, Social fact, Suicide, Religion • Max Weber-Social action, Ideal types, Authority, Bureaucracy, PE&SC • Talcott Parsons-Social system, Pattern variables • Robert Merton- Latent & Manifest, Conformity and Deviance, Reference Group • Mead- Self and Identity	26 Nov - 20 Dec

Paper	Chapter	Sub Topic	Status
PAPER - 1	5) Stratification and Mobility	• Concepts-Equality, Inequality, Hierarchy, Exclusion, Poverty and Deprivation • Theories of Stratification -Structural functionalist theory, Marxist theory, Weberian theory • Dimension - Social stratification of class, Status groups, Gender, Ethnicity and Race • Social Mobility - Open and Closed system, Types of social mobility, Sources and causes of mobility	21 Dec - 27 Dec
	6) Work and Economic Life	• Social organization of work in different types of society-slave society, feudal society, industrial / capitalist society. • Formal and informal organization of work. • Labour and society	28 Dec - 30 Dec
	7) Politics and Society	• Sociological theories of Power • Power elite, bureaucracy, pressure groups, and political parties. • Nation, state, citizenship, democracy, civil society, ideology. • Protest, agitation, social movements, collective action, revolution.	2 Jan - 10 Jan
	8) Religion and Society	• Sociological theories of Religion • Types of religious practices: animism, monism, pluralism, sects, cults. • Religion in modern society: religion and science, secularization, religious revivalism, fundamentalism.	11 Jan - 17 Jan

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	9) System of Kinship .	• Family, Household, Marriage • Types and forms of family. • Lineage and descent • Patriarchy and sexual division of labour. • Contemporary trends.	18 Jan - 25 Jan
	10) Social change in Modern society	• Sociological theories of social change • Development and dependency. • Agents of social change. • Education and social change. • Science, technology and social change.	26 Jan - 31 Jan
PAPER - 2	1) Perspectives on the study of Indian society:	• Indology (Ghurye) • Structural Functionalism • (Srinivas) • Marist Sociology (Desai)	1 Feb - 3 Feb
	2) Impact of Colonial Rule	• Social background of Indian nationalism • Modernisation of Indian tradition • Protestand movements during colonial period • Social reforms	6 Feb - 8 Feb
	3) Village	• The idea of Indian Village • Evolution of Land tenure system, Land reforms.	9 Feb - 10 Feb
	4) Caste System	• Perspectives on the study of caste systems: GS Ghurye, M N Srinivas, Louis Dumont, Andre Beteille. • Features of caste system. • Untouchability - forms and perspectives.	11 Feb - 15 Feb

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PAPER - 2	5) Tribe	• Definitional Problems • Geographical Spread • Colonial policies and tribes • Issues of integration and autonomy	16 Feb - 18 Feb
	6) Social classes in India	• Agrarian class structure • Industrial class structure • Middle class structure	20 Feb - 22 Feb
	7) System of Kinship in India	• Lineage and Descent • Types of kinship systems. • Family and marriage in India. • Household dimensions of the family. • Patriarchy, entitlements and sexual division of labour	COVERED WITH PAPER 1
	8) Religion and Society	• Religious communities in India • Problems of religious minorities	COVERED WITH PAPER 1
	9) Social Change in India	• Idea of development planning and mixed economy. • Constitution, law and social change. • Education and social change.	COVERED WITH PAPER 1
	10) 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, migratio	23 Feb - 26Feb

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PAPER - 2	11) Industrialisation 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.	27 Feb - 1 March
	12) Politics and Society	• Nation, democracy and citizenship. • Political parties, pressure groups , social and political elite. • Regionalism and decentralization of power. • Secularization	COVERED WITH PAPER 1
	13) Social Movements in India	• Peasants and farmers movements. • Women's movement. • Backward classes & Dalit movement. • Environmental movements. • Ethnicity and Identity movements.	2 March - 4March
	14) 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.	6 March - 8 March

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PAPER - 2	15) Challenges of Social Transformations	• 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.	9 March - 12 March

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