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3 SEM TDC SOCH (CBCS) C 6

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SOCIOLOGY

(Core)

Paper : C-6

(Sociology of Religion)

Full Marks : 80

Pass Marks : 32

Time : 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

1. Choose the correct answer from the following : 1×8=8

(a) Who is the author of the book, *The Elementary Forms of Religious Life*?

(i) Emile Durkheim

(ii) Max Weber

(iii) Karl Marx

(Turn Over)

- (b) Which among the following statements regarding relation between science and religion is correct?
- (i) Religion is hostile to science.
 - (ii) Rationalism and empiricism are combined with each other.
 - (iii) Effect of religion on science is positive when it is supported by State.
- (c) Who is the author of the book, *Economy and Society*?
- (i) Max Weber
 - (ii) S. J. Tambiah
 - (iii) Marcel Mauss
- (d) In which of the following countries Shintoism and Buddhism found?
- (i) Japan
 - (ii) China
 - (iii) Korea
- (e) The book, *Magic, Science and Religion : And Other Essays* was written by
- (i) B. Malinowski
 - (ii) Radcliffe-Brown
 - (iii) Max Weber

(f) Which one of the following pairs is not correctly matched?

(i) Jainism—Theism

(ii) Buddhism—Monastic mysticism

(iii) Hinduism—Karma and Dharma

(g) Which marriage from the following is considered as religious sacrament?

(i) Hindu marriage

(ii) Muslim marriage

(iii) Christian marriage

(h) A particular system of religious belief and teachings is called

(i) theology

(ii) sect

(iii) spirituality

(iv) religion

2. Write on any *four* from the following (**within 150 words** each) :

4×4=16

(a) Dysfunctions of religion

(b) Naturism as a form of religion

(c) Religion as an informal means of social control

(Turn Over)

- (d) The isolation of the sacred
- (e) Max Weber's views on rationality
- (f) Prayer as a social phenomena

3. Answer any *four* questions from the following
(**within 500 words** each) : 14×4=56

- (a) What is religion? Discuss the social functions of religion. 4+10=14
- (b) Critically discuss Emile Durkheim's views regarding origin of religion.
- (c) What is totemism? Discuss the importance of totem among tribal people in Indian society. 4+10=14
- (d) What is theodicy? Discuss how Max Weber has analyzed theodicy by comparing it with different religions. 4+10=14
- (e) What is myth? Discuss it by citing examples from the society of North-East India. 4+10=14
- (f) Discuss the E. E. Evans-Pritchard views on Time and Space.
