

# Introduction to Sociological Theories

Semester II

Subject Code: MSL 21504

Lectures (Lects.): 60

## Objectives

- To develop the understanding of major sociological perspectives.
- To develop the analytical abilities of the students.
- To develop research orientation of the students with the understanding of major
- Theoretical perspectives.

### Topic 1: Structuralism

(12)Lects.

- Radcliff-Brown
- Levi-Strauss

### Topic 2: Functionalism and Neo Functionalism

(12)

Lects.

- Malinowski
- Parsons
- Merton
- Neo-Functionalism: (J. Alexander)

### Topic 3: Conflict theory

(12)Lects.

- C. Wright Mills
- Ralph Dahrendorf

### Topic 4: Micro theories

(12)Lects

- Phenomenology - Alfred Schultz and Peter Berger
- Ethnomethodology - Garfinkel and Goffman

\*Assignments and library hours – 12 hours



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### Recommended Text Books

- Ritzer, George. Sociological Theory. MacGraw-Hill. 2000.
- Ritzer, George. Encyclopedia of Social Theory. Vol. I & II. Sage Pub. 2005.
- Giddens and Turner (eds). Social Theory Today, Cambridge: Polity Press, 1987
- Abraham, M.F. Modern Sociological Theory, New Delhi: OUP. 1990
- Haralambos and Holborn. Sociology Themes and Perspectives. Fifth Edition, Collins, 2000.
- Calhoun, Craig, Rojek, Chris & Bryan Turner. The Sage Handbook of Sociology, Sage Publications. 2005
- Ritzer, George and Barry Smart. Handbook of Social Theory. Sage Publications, 2001.
- Adams Bert N., Sydie R. A., Sociological Theory, New Delhi, Vistaar Pub, 2011
- Turner J. H., The Structure of Sociological Theory, Jaipur, Rawat Pub., 1999.
- Lemert Charles, Social Theory: The Multicultural and Classical Readings, Jaipur, Rawat Pub, 2004
- Turner Bryan S. (Edited), The New Blackwell Companion to Social Theory, Blackwell Publishing Ltd. ISBN: 978-1-405-16900-4, 2009
- Calhoun Craig, (edited), Robert K. Merton: Sociology of Science and Sociology as Science, New York, Columbia University Press 2010
- Schütz, Alfred, Phenomenology of the Social World. Evanston, Ill: Northwestern University Press. 1967.
- Greg, M. A Smith - Erving Goffman, (Key Sociologists), USA, Routledge, 2006



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