

Sociology
Contemporary Indian Society: Issues and Challenges

Semester III	Subject Code: A 31611	Lectures: 60
Objectives:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To understand the historical context of formation of Indian society. • To map the journey of India as a nation. • To create awareness about contemporary critical issues in the Indian society. • To understand contemporary challenges posed to the unity of Indian society. 		
Unit 1: The idea of India – Understanding the formation of contemporary India		10
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Formation of Indian society <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Colonial legacy ○ Legacy of Nationalist movement • Initial years after independence 		
Unit 2: Consolidation of India as a Nation		12
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Linguistic reorganization of the states • Tribal Integration • Sources of Diversity • Unity in Diversity : Constitutional safeguards 		
Unit 3: Caste and Community in secular nation		14
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Caste Question <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Meaning of caste and casteism ○ Anti-caste mobilization and strategies • Community and nation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Meaning of community and growth of communalism ○ Communalism and state 		



Unit 4: 'Nation' in Question

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- Terrorism, Regionalism and Sub-nationalism – meaning of these concepts, problems of defining 'Nation'
- The Punjab crisis
- The case of Jammu and Kashmir
- Challenge posed by the sons of the soil ideology – The case of Shiv Sena

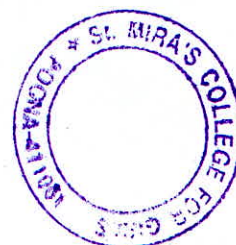
***Assignments and library hours – 12 hours**

Recommended Text Books:

1. Ahuja Ram, Society in India, Rawat Publication, 1999.
2. Chandra Bipin et. al. 2008 India since Independence Penguin Books, New Delhi.
3. Deshpande Satish 2003 Contemporary India : A Sociological View Penguin Books, New Delhi.

Reference Books:

1. Pandey Rajendra, Social Problems of Contemporary India, Ashish Publishing House, 1994.
2. Brig.Reddy G.B., Nation in Crisis, Vol.1, 2, 3, Authors Press, 2001.
3. Lobo L. & Das B. Communal Violence & Minorities, Rawat Publication, 2006.
4. Kumar Akhilesh, Communal Riots in India, Commonwealth Publishers, 1991.
5. Heehs Peter, Nationalism, Terrorism Communalism, Oxford, 2005.



**Sociology
Social Movements**

Semester IV

Subject Code: A 41611

Lectures: 60

Objectives:

- To introduce the students to the role of social movements in social transformation.
- To help them understand the various approaches to the study of social movements.

Unit 1: Introduction to Social Movement

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- Social Movement : Meaning, characteristics and stages of a social movement
- Basic Concepts - Reform, Rebellion, Revivalism, Revolution, Counter Movement
- Role of leadership and ideology in social movement
- Emotions and social movement

Unit 2: Theoretical understanding of social movement

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- Relative Deprivation
- Resource Mobilization
- 'New' social movement

Unit 3: Social Movements (with specific reference to social basis, leadership, ideology)

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- Peasant movement
- Labour movement
- Women's movement



Unit 4: New Social Movements (with specific reference to social basis, leadership, ideology and new cultural practices)	14
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- Dalit movement
- OBC movement
- Ecological movement
- Students movement

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Recommended Text Books:

1. Omvedt Gail 1976: Cultural Revolt in a Colonial Society: Non Brahmin Movement in Western India. 1973-1930., Bombay, Scientific Education Trust.
2. Rao M.S.A.: Social Movements in India, Vol. I and II, Manohar, Delhi, 1978.
3. Shah Ghanshyam: Social Movements and the State, Sage, New Delhi, 2002.
4. Shah Ghanshyam: Social Movements in India, a Review of Literature, Sage, New Delhi, 1990.
5. Singh Rajendra, 2001, Social Movements, Old and New, Sage Publications, New Delhi.

Reference Books:

1. Foweraker Joe, Theorizing Social Movements, Pluto Press, London, 1995.
2. Diani, M.1992.'The concept of social movement', Sociological Review, 40, 1: pp. 25.
3. Flam H.and King D.Edt.: Emotions and Social Movements, Routledge, NY.
4. Jogdand P.G. 1991, Dalit Movement in Maharashtra, New Delhi: Kanak Publications
5. McAdam, D., McCarthy, J. D. and Zald , M.N.1996.Comparative Perspectives on Social Movements. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

