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OPTION I: SOCIOLOGY

Instructions:

Exam Format: NDDC overseas scholarship test was conducted by Cinfores-Ltd, between 2010 and 2015. Since 2016, the tests are now conducted by MEIL (MARG Educational International Limited).

The test usually comprises of 2 sections –

1. General questions which everyone will have to sit, and
2. Discipline-based questions.

For example, candidates in Engineering and Science related disciplines could take a mix of science-based questions like maths, English, physics and chemistry for part 1, then discipline-specific questions for part 2, 2016 and 2017 tests contained more discipline-specific tests and English language test as general paper. The test usually lasts between 30 to 60 minutes.

Read Carefully: Read each question carefully before selecting your answer. Pay attention to any specific details or numerical data provided in the question.

1. The term 'sociology' was coined by

- (a) Saint Simon
- (b) Herbert Spencer
- (c) Auguste Comte
- (d) Durkheim

Ans. (c)

2. In which year the term 'Sociology' was coined?

- (a) 1798
- (b) 1815
- (c) 1839
- (d) 1857

Ans. (c)

3. Sociology is the interpretive understanding of social action. This definition was brought by-

- (a) Max Weber
- (b) Karl Marx
- (c) C. Levi Strauss
- (d) Henry Maine

Ans. (a)

4. Sociology emerged in

- (a) America
- (b) Europe
- (c) Asia
- (d) Africa

Ans. (b)

5. The word 'Sociology' is made up of two words. These are-

- (a) Societies and Logy
- (b) Societia and Logistia
- (c) Socious and Logos
- (d) Socia & Logos

Ans. (c)

6. In large cities, the neighbourhood is largely a group _____ of characterised chiefly by the fact that the members reside within a geographical area.

- (a) loose families
- (b) neigh-dwellers
- (c) close relatives
- (d) slum dwellers

Ans. (a)

7. Society symbolises the network of

- (a) human relationships
- (b) social relationships
- (c) orientations
- (d) inter-connections

Ans. (b)

8. 'Society is the web of social relationships' whose definition is this?

- (a) Maclver
- (b) H. Maine
- (c) Pluto
- (d) Aristotle

Ans. (a)

9. There are two types of definition of society. These are-

- (a) Structural and interactional
- (b) Functional and structural
- (c) Evolutionary and diffusive
- (d) Structural and evolutionary

Ans. (b)

10. In which of the following is there a reciprocal relationship and interaction among men and groups within a cultural framework?

- (a) Society
- (b) Community
- (c) Social group
- (d) None of the above

Ans. (a)

11. Marriage is a/an

- (a) important and universal social institution of society
- (b) important basis for group formation
- (c) helpful in strengthening the caste system
- (d) helpful in calming down the anger of two conflicting groups.

Ans. (a)

12. In the Industrialised western societies, the chief aim of marriage is not only procreation but

- (a) companionship
- (b) emotional and psychological support and companionship
- (c) emotional and psychological support
- (d) divorce

Ans. (b)

13. Marriage is considered to be necessary because

- (a) This is the only way to acquire paternal property
- (b) This is the only way of sexual gratification
- (c) This provides societal sanction
- (d) It is regularised and provides socially sanctioned sex gratification

Ans. (d)

14. In his book 'People of India' who said 'that probably there has existed in man a tendency to vary. This desire must have driven men to seek marital alliance with strangers, unfamiliar and unknown to him'.

- (a) Guha
- (b) Ghureye
- (c) Riskey
- (d) Westermarck

Ans. (c)

15. Riskey have given this statement put in question No. 4 to support his views on _____, regarding marriage.

- (a) Exogamy
- (b) Acculturation
- (c) Preference and prohibition
- (d) Cousin marriage

Ans. (d)

16. Who among the following was on the opinion that " A gift is a social substitute for money among moneyless cultures."?

- (a) Ogburn and Nimkoff
- (b) Mauss
- (c) Frazer

(d) Polyan

Ans. (a)

17. The importance of the social division of labour as a criterion of social development has been insisted by

(a) Karl Marx

(b) Emile Durkheim

(c) F. Engels

(d) Herbert Hyman

Ans. (b)

18. Whose statement is this?

“Jajmani relationships is the means by which the rich and powerful exploit the poor and coerce the workers into sustaining the power of those who have the upper hand and the higher rank.”

(a) M.N. Srinivas

(b) Mandelbaum

(c) Beidelman

(d) H. Maine

Ans. (c)

19. Kula exchange is associated with

- (a) Tikopians
- (b) Trobriand Islanders
- (c) Krowe tribes
- (d) Azande tribes

Ans. (b)

20. The basis of slave system is always?

- (a) Political
- (b) Economic
- (c) Custom
- (d) Social need

Ans. (b)

21. Which of the following factors does not contribute to the growth of traditional societies?

- (a) Community and associational life is kept loose without any prescribed basis of social existence
- (b) Perpetuation of tribal and caste affiliation
- (c) Perpetuation of kinship and clanship
- (d) Continuation of agriculture as the dominant activity.

Ans. (a)

22. Which of the following statements is correct?

- (a) The percentage of the world's population that live in cities is indeed very large
- (b) Most of the world has been urban most of the time.
- (c) Most of the world has been rural most of the time.
- (d) India is a highly urban country

Ans. (c)

23. A characteristic feature of a rural community is

- (a) Formal relationship
- (b) Rational will
- (c) Community sentiment
- (d) A vast number of association

Ans. (a)

24. Who among the following was the first to distinguish between the state and the government?

- (a) Locke
- (b) R. Dahl
- (c) Marx
- (d) Max Weber

Ans. (a)