

SARDAR PATEL UNIVERSITY
B.A. (Sociology) Semester-1 Generic Elective
UA01GSOC22 Indian Social Structure

Objectives:

- To know basic concepts of Sociology.
- To give an outline of Sociological Background.
- To explain the scope and nature of Sociology.
- To provide competitive atmosphere for the students.

Outcome:

- Students able to understand Indian social structure.
- Students also know about Indian society.

Unit - 1 Indian Religious Structure

- Meaning and Characteristics of Religion
- Major Religion in India
 - a) The Hindu Religion
 - b) The Islam Religion
 - c) The Jain and Buddha Religion

Unit - 2 Indian Caste Structure

- Meaning of caste
- Characteristics of caste
- Function and Dysfunction of caste
- Change in caste
- Dominant caste

Unit - 3 Indian Family System

- Meaning and Characteristics of Family
- Types of Family
 - a) Patriarchal and Matriarchal Family
 - b) Joint and Nuclear Family
- Factors affecting to changes in family system
- Changes in Indian family system

Unit - 4 Marriage Institute in India

- Meaning
- Forms of marriage (Monogamy, Polyandry and Polygamy)
- The Hindu Marriage as a Sacrament
- Rules of Endogamy and Exogamy
- Factors Affecting to Changes in Marriage Institution
- The Muslim Marriage as Contract
- The Divorce in Muslims
- Live in Relationship
- Extra Marital Relationship

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