

Raffles University,Neemrana

School of Humanities and Social Sciences

Semester – 6 and 4

Code SOC-601 (For BA General 2019-2022)

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The Course introduces the student to some major theoretical debates and concept in social problem in contemporary India. A key thrust of the paper is towards developing a comparative understanding of different contemporary social problems in India.

- Elaborate Sociological problems in general with reference to Caste, Minorities, and Problems in Modern India.
- Elaborate Poverty and poverty elevation programmes.
- Explain unemployment, types and remedies.
- Describe child and woman labour problem and legislation.
- Understand violence against women, meaning and provision for remedies.

UNIT – I

Social Problem: Concepts, Meaning and Importance, Deviance and Social

Disorganization , Theories of Social Problems: Social Disorganization Approach, Value

Conflict Approach, Cultural lag Approach

UNIT – II

Structural Issues: Inequality of Caste, Class and Gender; Problems of Minorities.

UNIT – III

Problem and Issues: Female Foeticide, Dowry, Domestic Violence, Problems of Aged and Divorce

UNIT – IV

Social Disorganization: Crime and Juvenile Delinquency, Corruption, Drug Addiction, Suicide, Prostitution and AIDS

Unit- V

Problems of youth unrest and agitation, Casteism , Communalism and Violence against Dalits and Women.

Readings:

Ahuja, Ram (2000): Social Problems in India, New Delhi: Rawat Publications.

Beteille, Andre (1992): Backward Classes in Contemporary India, New Delhi: OUP

Beteille, Andre (1974): Social Inequality, New Delhi: OUP

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Dube, Leela (1997): Women and Kinship, Comparative Perspectives on Gender in South and Southeast Asia, New Delhi: Sage Publication.

Desai, Neera & Usha Thakkar (2007): Women in Indian Society, National Book Trust, India.

Gadgil, Madhav and Ramchandra Guha (1996): Ecology and Equality: The use and Abuse of Nature in Contemporary India, New Delhi: OUP.

Gill, S.S. (1998): The Pathology of Corruption, New Delhi: Harper Collin Publishers.

Satya Murty, T.V. (1996): Region, Religion, Caste, Gender and Culture in Contemporary India, New Delhi: OUP.