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Augmented Test Series (ATS)

Sociology (Optional)

for MAINS- 2020

Available in both Offline & Online Mode

(Test Series: 10 Tests (6 Sectional Tests + 4 Full Comprehensive Tests) + 14 Value Addition Classes (2 after every Test) for Comprehensive Discussion on Paper)

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Commences *November 19th*

Features of ATS - Sociology:

- 1) The program will focus to maximise your score in sociology optional through a series of tests and value addition classes.
- 2) It will include
 - a) L1: Sectional tests (read and evaluate once the complete syllabus of both Sociology Paper I and Paper II)
 - b) L2: Content Enhancement Classes (gives you a differential and value-added content through incorporation of relevant current affairs and journals for both the papers.)
 - c) L3: Full Length Test (evaluate your complete preparation and make final correction for the exam)
 - d) Mentorship: Discuss your paper with the faculty to get insights on requisite presentation and content improvement. Tailor made strategic grooming of each candidate.
- 3) Detailed solution for every test in the form of Value Addition Classes.
- 4) Case Studies & relevant Current Affairs Classes for Paper I and Paper II for content enhancement.
- 5) Synchronic Completion of Syllabus.

Fees – ATS Sociology:

Course	Fees	Payment Options
ATS – Sociology Online Offline	Rs. 10,000 + 18% (GST) = Rs. 11,800/-	Visit Offline Centre or Visit <u>academy.forumias.com</u>

Terms and Conditions:

- This program is non-refundable and non-transferable. There is no difference between the online and offline mode – candidates can come and write the test at Test Center or remotely and send us scanned copies.
- Your test copies will be evaluated within 10 working days of copy submission.
- Discussion video will be uploaded within 48 working hours after the completion of classroom discussion.
- Students have to raise a ticket to get mentor calls, expect a call within 48-72 working hours after raising ticket.
- Every student has to create an account on academy.forumias.com irrespective of the mode (online/offline) chosen.
- Admission to the test centre will be granted only after validating ID card.
- Course on Student Portal for offline payments will be activated within 24 working hours from receipt of payment.
- In case of any query/difficulty while enrolling please reach out to us on 9821711605 / 011 – 49878625.

TEST & CLASS PLAN

#	Date Day	Activity (test/class) Test Code	Syllabus
1	19th November Tuesday 10 AM	Test 1 33220	Sociology - The Discipline a. Modernity and social changes in Europe and emergence of sociology. b. Scope of the subject and comparison with other social sciences. c. Sociology and common sense. Sociology as Science: a. Science, scientific method and critique. b. Major theoretical strands of research methodology. c. Positivism and its critique. d. Fact value and objectivity. e. Non- positivist methodologies

			Research Methods and Analysis: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Qualitative and quantitative methods. b. Techniques of data collection. c. Variables, sampling, hypothesis, reliability and validity.
2	23rd November Saturday 5 PM	Value Addition Class 1	
3	24th November Sunday 5 PM	Value Addition Class 2	
4	26th November Tuesday 10 AM	Test 2 33221	Sociological Thinkers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Karl Marx- Historical materialism, mode of production, alienation, class struggle. b. Emile Durkheim- Division of labour, social fact, suicide, religion and society. c. Max Weber- Social action, ideal types, authority, bureaucracy, protestant ethic and the spirit of capitalism. d. Talcott Parsons- Social system, pattern variables. e. Robert K. Merton- Latent and manifest functions, conformity and deviance, reference groups. f. Mead - Self and identity. Stratification and Mobility: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Concepts- equality, inequality, hierarchy, exclusion, poverty and deprivation. b. Theories of social stratification- Structural functionalist theory, Marxist theory, Weberian theory. c. Dimensions – Social stratification of class, status groups, gender, ethnicity and race. d. Social mobility- open and closed systems, types of mobility, sources and causes of mobility.
5	30th November Saturday 5 PM	Value Addition Class 3	
6	01st December Sunday 5 PM	Value Addition Class 4	
7	03rd December Tuesday 10 AM	Test 3 33222	Works and Economic Life:

		<ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Social organization of work in different types of society-slave society, feudal society, industrial /capitalist society.b. Formal and informal organization of work.c. Labour and society. <p>Politics and Society:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Sociological theories of power.b. Power elite, bureaucracy, pressure groups, and political parties.c. Nation, state, citizenship, democracy, civil society, ideology.d. Protest, agitation, social movements, collective action, revolution. <p>Religion and Society:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Sociological theories of religion.b. Types of religious practices: animism, monism, pluralism, sects, cults.c. Religion in modern society: religion and science, secularization, religious revivalism, fundamentalism. <p>Systems of Kinship:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Family, household, marriage.b. Types and forms of family.c. Lineage and descent.d. Patriarchy and sexual division of labour.e. Contemporary trends. <p>Social Change in Modern Society:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Sociological theories of social change.b. Development and dependency.c. Agents of social change.d. Education and social change.e. Science, technology and social change.
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8	07th December Saturday 5 PM	Value Addition Class 5	
9	08th December Sunday 5 PM	Value Addition Class 6	
10	10th December Tuesday 10 AM	Test 4 33223	<p>Introducing Indian Society:</p> <p>(i) Perspectives on the study of Indian society:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Indology (GS. Ghurye). b. Structural functionalism (M N Srinivas). c. Marxist sociology (A R Desai). <p>(ii) Impact of colonial rule on Indian society:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Social background of Indian nationalism. b. Modernization of Indian tradition. c. Protests and movements during the colonial period. d. Social reforms.
11	14th December Saturday 5 PM	Value Addition Class 7	
12	15th December Sunday 5 PM	Value Addition Class 8	
13	17th December Tuesday 10 AM	Test 5 33224	<p>Social Structure:</p> <p>(i) Rural and Agrarian Social Structure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) The idea of Indian village and village studies. (b) Agrarian social structure - evolution of land tenure system, land reforms. <p>(ii) Caste System:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Perspectives on the study of caste systems: GS Ghurye, M N Srinivas, Louis Dumont, Andre Beteille. (b) Features of caste system. (c) Untouchability - forms and perspectives. <p>(iii) Tribal communities in India:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Definitional problems. (b) Geographical spread. (c) Colonial policies and tribes. (d) Issues of integration and autonomy.

			<p>(iv) Social Classes in India:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Agrarian class structure. (b) Industrial class structure. (c) Middle classes in India. <p>(v) Systems of Kinship in India:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Lineage and descent in India. (b) Types of kinship systems. (c) Family and marriage in India. (d) Household dimensions of the family. (e) Patriarchy, entitlements and sexual division of labour. <p>(vi) Religion and Society:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Religious communities in India. (b) Problems of religious minorities.
14	21st December Saturday 5 PM	Value Addition Class 9	
15	22nd December Sunday 5 PM	Value Addition Class 10	
16	24th December Tuesday 10 AM	Test 6 33225	<p>Social Changes in India:</p> <p>(i) Visions of Social Change in India:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Idea of development planning and mixed economy. (b) Constitution, law and social change. (c) Education and social change. <p>(ii) Rural and Agrarian transformation in India:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Programmes of rural development, Community Development Programme, cooperatives, poverty alleviation schemes. (b) Green revolution and social change. (c) Changing modes of production in Indian agriculture. (d) Problems of rural labour, bondage, migration. <p>(iii) Industrialization and Urbanisation in India:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Evolution of modern industry in India. (b) Growth of urban settlements in India.

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (c) Working class: structure, growth, class mobilization. (d) Informal sector, child labour. (e) Slums and deprivation in urban areas. <p>(iv) Politics and Society:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Nation, democracy and citizenship. (b) Political parties, pressure groups , social and political elite. (c) Regionalism and decentralization of power. (d) Secularization <p>(v) Social Movements in Modern India:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Peasants and farmers movements. (b) Women's movement. (c) Backward classes & Dalit movement. (d) Environmental movements. (e) Ethnicity and Identity movements. <p>(vi) Population Dynamics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Population size, growth, composition and distribution. (b) Components of population growth: birth, death, migration. (c) Population policy and family planning. (d) Emerging issues: ageing, sex ratios, child and infant mortality, reproductive health. <p>(vii) Challenges of Social Transformation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Crisis of development: displacement, environmental problems and sustainability. (b) Poverty, deprivation and inequalities. (c) Violence against women. (d) Caste conflicts. (e) Ethnic conflicts, communalism, religious revivalism. (f) Illiteracy and disparities in education
17	28th December Saturday 5 PM	Value Addition Class 11	
18	29th December Sunday 5 PM	Value Addition Class 12	

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19	04th January Saturday 10 AM	Test 7 33226	PAPER 1 – Full Length
20	05th January Sunday 10 AM	Test 8 33227	PAPER 2 – Full Length
21	11th January Saturday 5 PM	Value Addition Class 13	
22	12th January Sunday 5 PM	Value Addition Class 14	
23	18th January Saturday 9 AM*	Test 9 33228	PAPER 1 – Full Length
24	18th January Saturday 2 PM *	Test 10 33229	PAPER 2 – Full Length

* There will be no discussion classes for Test 9 and Test 10. You will be provided evaluation and model solutions for the same.