



## SEMESTER-I

### SOC-DSC-101

### FUNDAMENTALS OF SOCIOLOGY

Full Marks: Semester-70+Internal-30=100

Credits – 3

Pass Marks: Semester-28+Internal-12=40

No of Lectures –45

**OBJECTIVE:** This course intends to provide the basic orientation on and about historical and socio-cultural process of development of sociology. It further tries to orient the students to well equip with the subject matter and scope of Sociology, its relationship to other social science and the applied nature of sociology.

#### COURSE OUTLINE

**Unit I : Introduction to Sociology**

Subject matter and scope of Sociology  
Sociology as a scientific discipline  
Sociology and common sense

**Unit II : Emergence of Sociology**

Intellectual and social background leading to the emergence of sociology  
Enlightenment and its impact  
French Revolution and Industrial Revolution

**Unit III : Sociology and other Social Sciences**

Sociology and Social Anthropology  
Sociology and History  
Sociology and Psychology  
Sociology and Economics  
Sociology and Political Science

**Unit IV : Major theoretical perspectives in Sociology**

Evolutionary, Positivist, Functional and Conflict Perspective

**Unit V : Application of Sociology**

Sociology and social problems

Sociology and social policy

**READING LIST**

Bottomore, T.B. 1971, *Sociology: A Guide to Problem and Literature*. Bombay: George Allen & Unwin (India)

Giddens, Anthony. 2009, *Sociology*. Cambridge: Polity Press

Gisbert, P. 2010, *Fundamentals of Sociology*, Hyderabad: Orient Black Swan

Haralambos, M and Holborn M. 2008, *Sociology: Themes and Perspective*, London: Harper Collins Publication Limited

Inkeles, Alex. 1987. *What is Sociology?* New Delhi: Prentice–Hall of India.

Jayaram, N. 1988. *Introductory Sociology*. Madras: Macmillan.

Johnson, Harry M. 1995. *Sociology: A Systematic Introduction*. New Delhi: Allied Publishers.

Schaefer Richard T. and Robert P Lamm.1999. *Sociology*. New Delhi: Tata McGraw Hill.

**LEARNING OUTCOME**

The teaching of the course would help the students to understand subject matter and scope of sociology as an academic discipline. The student would able to appreciate the emergence of sociology and its intellectual and social background. The students would gain understanding of relationship between Sociology and other Social Sciences and understand the theoretical background and application of Sociology.