

**B.A. EXAMINATION, 2025**

**DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY**

**1st Year, 2nd Semester**

**Subject Code : ARTS/SOCI/UG/MINOR/TH/12/102**

**(SOCIOLOGICAL THINKERS - MINOR)**

**Time : Two Hours**

**Full Marks : 30**

**Module - I**

Answer *any one* question : 10

1. In what ways did the Enlightenment shape the development of social sciences? Discuss the intellectual shifts that contributed to the emergence of sociology as a discipline. (CO1) 5+5
2. What were Harriet Martineau's key contributions to the development of sociology? Discuss her approach to sociological research and her views on society. (CO3) 5+5

Short question : Answer *any one* question. 5

3. Explain the concept of Positivism as proposed by Auguste Comte. (CO2)
4. Discuss Comte's Law of Three Stages. (CO2)

**Module - II**

Answer *any one* question : 10

5. In what ways do Karl Marx and Emile Durkheim's theories address the concept of social order? Discuss how Marx's focus on class struggle offer distinct explanations for the change of societies? (CO4, CO5) 4+6
6. How does Karl Marx's concept of alienation help us understand the individual's position within modern society? (CO4, CO5) 10

Short question : Answer *any one* question. 5

7. According to Emile Durkheim, what is the significance of religion in maintaining social cohesion? (CO4)
8. How does Karl Marx's theory of historical materialism explain the development of human societies over time? (CO5)

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