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MASTER OF ARTS EXAMINATION, 2018

(1st Year, 1st Semester)

SOCIOLOGY

Indian Society : Selected Issues

Course - IV

Time : Two hours

Full Marks : 30

All questions carry equal marks.

Answer **q.no. 5** and any **two** from the rest.

1. The “stereotype of anthropological ‘other’ as an integral part of colonial epistemological and ontological thinking provided the basis for analyzing caste as ‘other’ which became the be-all and end-all category for explaining Indian social reality.”—(Bula Bhadra) Discuss. 10
2. Examine whether the term indigenous can be used to describe tribes. What implications does the term have for tribal consciousness ? 6+4=10
3. Discuss how the new Indian woman of neoliberal India has been represented in popular cultural discourses. 10

4. Discuss the barriers Dalits encounter in setting up their enterprise in a supposedly free-market economy. 10
5. Write short notes on any **two** of the following : 5+5=10
 - (a) Caste as power
 - (b) The debates over women’s education in Bengal in the 1860s between radical and mainstream Brahmos
 - (c) Key features of Hindutva ideology
 - (d) Orientalism

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(Turn over)