

TEZPUR UNIVERSITY
SEMESTER END EXAMINATION (SPRING) 2020
MSO 101: CLASSICAL SOCIOLOGICAL THOUGHTS

Time: **3 Hours**Total Marks: **70**

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks for the individual question.

1. Answer **any seven** of the following questions: 2x7=14
 - a) Name any two eminent (early) figures associated with sociology.
 - b) What is capitalism?
 - c) Whose statement is, “the history of all hitherto existing society is the history of class struggle” ?
 - d) What are the three kinds of authority given by Weber?
 - e) What are the four types of social action?
 - f) Who wrote the book, *The Protestant Ethic and the Spirit of Capitalism*?
 - g) What is theory?
 - h) What is egoistic suicide?
 - i) What is organic solidarity?

2. Answer **any four** of the following questions: 5x4= 20
 - a) What are the main intellectual forces that shaped sociological theory?
 - b) Explain the feudal mode of production.
 - c) Explain what leads to alienation of working class under capitalism.
 - d) Explain the concept of Puritanism with suitable examples.
 - e) Write a note on ‘value free research’ and ‘research with values’.
 - f) How does division of labour promote social solidarity?

3. Answer **any four** of the following questions: 9x4= 36
 - a) Discuss Simon’s and Comte’s contribution to positivism in sociology.
 - b) How does Hegel’s idealism shape historical materialism of Karl Marx?

- c) Write a note on Weber's ideal types.
- d) According to Weber, "Affectual action lies on the borderline of behavior". Explain.
- e) How is the study of suicide by Durkheim sociological in nature?
- f) How does Georg Simmel understand formal sociology?
