



WEST BENGAL STATE UNIVERSITY
B.Sc. Honours 4th Semester Examination, 2020

ANTACOR08T-ANTHROPOLOGY (CC8)

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 40

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.
Candidates should answer in their own words and adhere to the word limit as practicable.*

1. Answer any **two** of the following (800-1000 words): 10×2=20
 - (a) What do you mean by 'Theory' in Social-Cultural Anthropology? What are the importance of studying theories in Social-Cultural Anthropology? What were the basic criticisms of Nineteenth Century Evolutionism? 2+3+5
 - (b) Who was developed the theory of "Cultural Materialism"? Give a brief account of the theoretical view of Cultural Materialism. 1+9
 - (c) What is meant by 'Functionalism'? Discuss in brief the basic issues of 'Structural Functionalism' of A.R. Radcliffe-Brown. 2+8
 - (d) 'Each society has its own unique historical development' – Justify this statement in the light of 'Historical Particularism' as viewed by Franz Boas. 10

2. Answer any **two** of the following (300-400 words): 5×2 = 10
 - (a) Give an account of the 'Psychological Functionalism' of B. Malinowski. 5
 - (b) Critically explain the postulates of Unilineal Evolution as viewed by E. B. Tylor. 5
 - (c) Give a brief account of Durkheim's 'Social Fact'. 5
 - (d) Write a brief note on the Multilinear Evolution of Julian Steward. 5

3. Answer any **five** of the following (25-30 words): 1×5 = 5
 - (a) What do you mean by Unilineal Evolution?
 - (b) What is meant by 'Thick description'?
 - (c) What is meant by 'Cultural Relativism'?
 - (d) What is meant by 'Cultural Ecology'?
 - (e) What was the name of the authentic book of Radcliffe-Brown?
 - (f) Who studied among the Trobriand Islanders?
 - (g) Who explained the theory of neo evolutionism in terms of energy, technology and culture?

- (h) Who wrote the book, 'Ancient Society'?
- (i) Who used the stage of 'Savagery' for analyzing the process of evolution of society?
- (j) Who gave the concept of 'Cultural Ecology'?

4. Choose the correct option of the following statements:

1×5 = 5

- (a) E.B. Tylor was one of the –
 - (i) Unilinear Evolutionists
 - (ii) Multilinear Evolutionists
 - (iii) Cultural Materialists
 - (iv) Structuralists
- (b) The philosophy, art, music, religion, literature, values, sports etc. are society's –
 - (i) Infrastructures
 - (ii) Superstructures
 - (iii) Structures
 - (iv) Material Structures
- (c) The book 'Interpretation of Culture : Selected Essays' was written by –
 - (i) L. H. Morgan
 - (ii) F. Boas
 - (iii) C. Geertz
 - (iv) M. Harris
- (d) The scholars in Anthropology who took data from travelers, traders and missionaries for interpreting the evolution were known as –
 - (i) 'Action anthropologists'
 - (ii) 'Functionalists'
 - (iii) 'Structuralists'
 - (iv) 'Armchair anthropologists'
- (e) The book 'Primitive Culture' as authored by E. B. Tylor was published in the year –
 - (i) 1871
 - (ii) 1971
 - (iii) 1881
 - (iv) 1941

N.B. : *Students have to complete submission of their Answer Scripts through E-mail / Whatsapp to their own respective colleges on the same day / date of examination within 1 hour after end of exam. University / College authorities will not be held responsible for wrong submission (at in proper address). Students are strongly advised not to submit multiple copies of the same answer script.*

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