### **Integrated Mphil Phd 2010**

# 2.1 The Scheme of the Programme:

All the candidates who get admission to the integrated M.Phil-Ph.D. programme shall undergo the following course work, the duration of which shall be two semesters. The courses and credits shall be as follows:

## I. First Semester

# a) Course 1 (Core Course):

Contemporary Trends in Sociological Theories

- 4 Credits

(2 credits for internal assessment conducted by the department and 2 credits for the end semester examination conducted by the University.)

## b) Course 2 (Methodology Course):

Methodology of Social Sciences

- 4 Credits

(2 credits for internal assessment conducted by the department and 2 credits for the end semester examination conducted by the University.)

### c) Course 3: (any one of the following Elective course)

- 4 Credits

- i. Philosophies of Social Science
- ii. Environmental Sociology
- iii. Sociology of Tribe

(2 credits for internal assessment conducted by the department and 2 credits for the end semester examination conducted by the University.)

### **II. Second Semester**

During the second semester, a student has to present four seminars, preferably in the area of research she/ he intends to choose, and submit the written papers to the department. This course is known as the Seminar Course.

d) Course 4: (Seminar Course)

- 4 Credits

(Internal Assessment only)

The students who want to complete the programme with an M.Phil. Degree have to acquire the following credits additionally for a total of 32 credits including course work.

i) Dissertation - 12 Credits

ii) Viva – voce - 4 Credits

**Total - 32 Credits** 

Those candidates who complete the second semester with a cumulative grade of  $\bf B+$  are eligible to move to the Ph.D. programme without submitting the M.Phil. dissertation.

# SREE SANKARACHARYA UNIVERSITY OF SANSKRIT DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

### **Integrated M.Phil.-Ph.D. programme**

**Syllabus** 

Semester - I

Course - 1

### CONTEMPORARY TRENDS IN SOCIOLOGICAL THEORIES

Credits: 4

### **Objectives of the Course:**

- ➤ To gain an understanding of the key contemporary Sociological theories that have shaped and continue to shape Sociology as a discipline
- > To equip the students with the contemporary theoretical trends to interpret the social phenomenon around them.

### Module-I

FUNCTIONAL THEORIES : Early Functional Theory. Analytical Functionalism: Talcott Parsons. Systems Functionalism: Niklas Luhmann. Neofunctionalism; Jeffrey C Alexander

EVOLUTIONARY THEORIES : Early Evolutionary Theory. Ecological Theory: Amos Hawley.

### Module- II

EXCHANGE THEORIES: Early Exchange Theory. Behavioristic Exchange Theory: George C. Homans. Dialectical Exchange Theory: Peter M. Blau.

CONFLICT THEORIES.: Early Conflict Theory. Neo-Weberian Conflict Theory: Randall Collins. Neo-Marxian Conflict Theory. Feminist Conflict Theory.

### Module- III

INTERACTIONIST THEORIES: Early Interactionist and Phenomenological Theory. Self and Identity Theory. Role Theory: Ralph H. Turner. Dramaturgy: Erving Goffman. Ethnomethodology.

CRITICAL THEORIES: Early Critical Theory. Critical Theory: Jurgen Habermas. Feminist Critical Theory.

### Module- IV

STRUCTURALIST THEORIES: Early Structuralist Theory. Structuration Theory: Anthony Giddens. Cultural Structuralist Theory: Pierre Bourdieu.

POSTMODERN THEORIES: Michael Foucault.

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### Course - 2

# METHODOLOGY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

Credits: 4

# **Objectives of the Course:**

- To develop clarity of the concepts like method and methodology among the students
- To familiarize the students with the debates and ideology behind the use of different methodologies.
- > To build the capacity to carry out research through 'hands on' training in select research methods and skills.

### Module- I

Method, Methodology and Epistemology Methodology in Social Research – Dilemmas and Perspectives Theoretical and empirical research

### Module-II

Dimensions of Social Science Research Feminist Methodology - Ethnomethodology Positivist Methodology - Marxist methodology

### Module- III

Theory, method and research design. Sociological Methods – Qualitative and Quantitative methods

### Module-IV

Tools of Data Collection Social Survey and Social Research- Data analysis - Presentation

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### Course – 3.i

# PHILOSOPHIES OF SOCIAL SCIENCE

Credit: 4

# **Objectives of the Course:**

- ➤ To broaden the understanding of the students with the different philosophies involved in Social Sciences.
- To introduce the students to the historical, epistemological and ontological questions that underline Sociological research.
- ➤ To make the students familiar with the philosophy and ideology behind the use of different methodologies.

### Module-I

Philosophy, social science and method – "Crisis" in the Social Sciences - knowing the social world – Philosophical issues in the process of social research – objectivity and values in social research

#### Module- II

Positivism – Critique of Positivism – Alternatives to Positivism-Weberian and Marxist Sociology

### Module – III

Phenomenology and Studies in Ethnomethodology

### Module – IV

Critical theory, Post structuralism, Post modernism and social research

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### Course – 3.ii

### ENVIRONMENTAL SOCIOLOGY

Credits: 4

### **Objectives of the Course:**

- > To gain some perspective on our contemporary ecological circumstances and also to look at ecological regimes in our and other societies
- ➤ To review the history of resource use, wilderness preservation, pollution, various environmental movements, and other developments with significant ecological implications.
- To introduce the students to the sociological modes of analysis of environmental issues.
- ➤ To provide a foundation for an informed, critical approach to contemporary environmental issues in society.

### Module- I

DEFINITIONS, ISSUES, DEBATES: Defining Ecological Issues. Social Theory and Ecological Issues. Population,

Food, and Hunger; Human Progress versus Ecological Collapse

THE ECONOMIC FACTOR: Industrialization or Capitalism? The Modern Economy and its Ecological Implications.

**Consumer Society** 

### Module-II

ENVIRONMENTALISM: Ecological Issues in Historical Perspective, The Origins of Modern Environmentalism,

Environmentalism as Part of a Larger Social Critique

SOCIAL JUSTICE AND ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES: Gender, Social Class, Social Justice and Environmental

Issues. Ecological Issues as Social Issues.

### Module- III

CULTURAL & RELIGIOUS FACTORS: Ecology and "Postmodern" Religion, Ecological Ethic in Religions;

Christianity, Islam, Hinduism and Buddhism. Ecological Ethic in ethnic communities, Culture, Rationality, and Modernity,

### Module-IV

ENVIRONMENTALISM IN INDIA: Perspectives from the Developing World.

DEMOCRACY, CIVIL SOCIETY, AND ECOLOGY: Local, International, and Global Eco-Social Movements,

Ecology and Global Civil Society, Alternative Economics, A Second Look at Consumption

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### Course - 3.iii

### SOCIOLOGY OF TRIBE

Credits: 4

# **Objectives of the Course:**

- ➤ To familiarize the students with the social and cultural life of the Tribal society in India and Kerala.
- To familiarize the students with the debates and issues of development vis-à-vis the tribes
- ➤ To equip the students for a comprehensive understanding of the transformations in Tribal society in India.

### Module- I

Definition and Characteristics of "Tribe" - Scheduled tribes: The Fourth World: Colonial Construction and problems of definition: Tribe, Jati, Varna, Adivasi, Indigenous Aborigines. Changes in Post colonial period in tribal economy, society, Culture, Polity, and religion

### Module-II

Tribes and the Indian constitution - Perspectives, Programmes and Policies in the Post-Colonial period a) Isolation b) Assimilation c) Adaptation d) Acculturation e) Protective Discrimination and Tribal Welfare.

#### Module- III

Nature and demography of Tribes in India. Socio-economic status of Indian tribes, Class formation in Tribes. Educational and Occupational transformations. Tribes of Kerala.

#### Module- IV

Tribal unrest and socio political movements - self determination and statehood: Jharkhand, Chattisgarh, Uttaranchal, Gujarat, Kerala – Globalisation and Marginalisation – Tribal problems – Social exclusion, Exploitation, Land alienation, Poverty, Disease, Alcoholism, Prostitution, Unwed Mothers

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