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| UG | Department: Humanities & Social Sciences |
| Course Name : | Introduction to Sociology |
| Course Code: | HST-401 |
| Credit: | 3(L-T-P: 2-1-0) |
| Version: | Open Elective |
| Pre-requisite course: | Nil |

Syllabus

1. **Sociology-nature, scope and relevance.** Relevance of this subject to the students describing its scope for the good of society.
2. **Some basic concepts: Group; Society; Culture:** To know and understand the society, various pressure groups and interest groups that dominates the society and government and country at large and the culture of the society where a person has to survive and work.
3. **Sociological thoughts: Plato, Aristotle, Marx, Max Weber, Gandhi and Nehru.** Thoughts of the great thinkers regarding the society, social structure, capitalism socialism, labor problems and production in the country and its distribution.
4. **Social Institutions: Family; Economy; Education; Religion; Political:** Role played by family, economy, education, religion and politics in the development and progress of the country.
5. **Social processes and Social stratification: Mobility and Inequality:** Importance of these social processes and stratification like mobility and inequality on development and planning.
6. **Social changes and development, Westernization, Sanskritisation, Modernization, Secularism:** Effect of these changes on society and consumer behavior leading to production and development.
7. **Globalization, Industrial relations, Cyber crime, Terrorism:** Result of the policy of LPG(Liberalization, Globalization, Privatization) on society and country at large, changes in the industrial relations, increase of cyber crimes, their causes and remedies and the problem of terrorism faced by the developed countries like India.
8. **Professional Ethics:** Need requirement and importance of professional ethics in the society.

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3. Schaefer, Richard.T & Robert.P.Lamm. *SOCIOLOGY*, McGraw Hill, Inc. New York, New Delhi, 1992.
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