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UPSC Mains 2024 Sociology Paper 2

Questions only

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Answer key at the end of this PDF

Attempt the paper first. After the last question, this pack closes with a compiled answer key: official letters in boxed exam order, then a question-wise list with Solution links to WRAP Exams.

Q1(a) • 10 marks

What, according to you, are the factors responsible for the continuance of caste system in India? Explain.

Topic • Caste System

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/sociology-gs-2/2024/what-according-to-you-are-the-factors-responsible-for-the-continuance-of-caste-system-in-india-explain/>

Q1(b) • 10 marks

Discuss the changes taking place in the industrial class structure in India.

Topic • Social Classes in India

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/sociology-gs-2/2024/discuss-the-changes-taking-place-in-the-industrial-class-structure-in-india/>

Q1(c) • 10 marks

Is patriarchy a key to understanding different forms of inequalities in Indian society? Elaborate.

Topic • Perspectives on the study of Indian society

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/sociology-gs-2/2024/is-patriarchy-a-key-to-understanding-different-forms-of-inequalities-in-indian-society-elaborate/>

Q1(d) • 10 marks

Do you think that family bondings are being affected by the changing kinship patterns in India? Comment.

Topic • Systems of Kinship in India

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/sociology-gs-2/2024/do-you-think-that-family-bondings-are-being-affected-by-the-changing-kinship-patterns-in-india-comment/>

Q1(e) • 10 marks

Despite the efforts of the government, bonded labour still continues in India. Discuss.

Topic · Systems of Kinship in India

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/sociology-gs-2/2024/despite-the-efforts-of-the-government-bonded-labour-still-continues-in-india-discuss/>

Q2(a) • 20 marks

Differentiate between 'Western' and 'Indological' perspectives on the study of Indian society. Bring out the major aspects of G. S. Ghurye's contribution to 'Indological' approach

Topic · Perspectives on the study of Indian society

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/sociology-gs-2/2024/differentiate-between-western-and-indological-perspectives-on-the-study-of-indian-society-bring-out-the-major-aspects-of-g-s-ghuryes-contribution-to-indological-approach/>

Q2(b) • 20 marks

What are the definitional problems involved in identifying tribes in India? Discuss the main obstacles to tribal development in India

Topic · Tribal communities in India

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/sociology-gs-2/2024/what-are-the-definitional-problems-involved-in-identifying-tribes-in-india-discuss-the-main-obstacles-to-tribal-development-in-india/>

Q2(c) • 10 marks

What, according to Andre Beteille, are the bases of agrarian class structure in India? Analyse

Topic · Caste System

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/sociology-gs-2/2024/what-according-to-andre-beteille-are-the-bases-of-agrarian-class-structure-in-india-analyse/>

Q3(a) • 20 marks

Why is the study of marriage important in Sociology? Analyse the implications of changing marriage patterns for Indian society

Topic · Perspectives on the study of Indian society

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/sociology-gs-2/2024/why-is-the-study-of-marriage-important-in-sociology-analyse-the-implications-of-changing-marriage-patterns-for-indian-society/>

Q3(b) • 20 marks

Do you think that the constitutional provisions for women have led to their uplift? Give reasons for your answer

Topic · Perspectives on the study of Indian society

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/sociology-gs-2/2024/do-you-think-that-the-constitutional-provisions-for-women-have-led-to-their-uplift-give-reasons-for-your-answer/>

Q3(c) · 10 marks

Education is a key to social development. Elucidate

Topic · Visions of Social Change in India

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/sociology-gs-2/2024/education-is-a-key-to-social-development-elucidate/>

Q4(a) · 20 marks

How do religious communities contribute to the cultural diversity of India?

Topic · Religion and Society

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/sociology-gs-2/2024/how-do-religious-communities-contribute-to-the-cultural-diversity-of-india/>

Q4(b) · 20 marks

What do you understand by decentralisation of power? What is its role in strengthening the roots of democracy in India? Elaborate

Topic · Politics and Society

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/sociology-gs-2/2024/what-do-you-understand-by-decentralisation-of-power-what-is-its-role-in-strengthening-the-roots-of-democracy-in-india-elaborate/>

Q4(c) · 10 marks

What are the different forms of untouchability still practised in India? Discuss with suitable illustrations

Topic · Caste System

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/sociology-gs-2/2024/what-are-the-different-forms-of-untouchability-still-practised-in-india-discuss-with-suitable-illustrations/>

Q5(a) · 10 marks

Examine with suitable examples the recent trends in the growth of urban settlements in India.

Topic · Industrialization and Urbanisation in India

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/sociology-gs-2/2024/examine-with-suitable-examples-the-recent-trends-in-the-growth-of-urban-settlements-in-india/>

Q5(b) · 10 marks

Is there a connection between labour migration and informal sector? Justify your answer with reference to Indian context.

Topic · Rural and Agrarian transformation in India

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/sociology-gs-2/2024/is-there-a-connection-between-labour-migration-and-informal-sector-justify-your-answer-with-reference-to-indian-context/>

Q5(c) · 10 marks

Are slums the manifestations of industrialisation and urbanisation in India? Explain.

Topic · Industrialization and Urbanisation in India

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/sociology-gs-2/2024/are-slums-the-manifestations-of-industrialisation-and-urbanisation-in-india-explain/>

Q5(d) · 10 marks

Discuss the changing nature of political elites in India.

Topic · Rural and Agrarian transformation in India

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/sociology-gs-2/2024/discuss-the-changing-nature-of-political-elites-in-india/>

Q5(e) · 10 marks

What is your assessment about the recent farmers' movement in India? Elaborate.

Topic · Social Movements in Modern India

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Q6(a) · 20 marks

Discuss the major challenges related to women's reproductive health in India. What measures would you suggest to overcome these challenges?

Topic · Population Dynamics

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/sociology-gs-2/2024/discuss-the-major-challenges-related-to-womens-reproductive-health-in-india-what-measures-would-you-suggest-to-overcome-these-challenges/>

Q6(b) · 20 marks

What is sustainable development? How can sustainability be achieved in India where livelihood needs conflict with environmental protection?

Topic · Challenges of Social Transformation

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Q6(c) · 10 marks

Critically examine the relevance of development planning in India

Topic · Visions of Social Change in India

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/sociology-gs-2/2024/critically-examine-the-relevance-of-development-planning-in-india/>

Q7(a) · 20 marks

Analyse the trilogy between environmental movement, development, and tribal identity

Topic · Social Movements in Modern India

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/sociology-gs-2/2024/analyse-the-trilogy-between-environmental-movement-development-and-tribal-identity/>

Q7(b) · 20 marks

To what extent have the legal provisions been effective in curbing violence against women in India? Give your argument

Topic · Challenges of Social Transformation

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/sociology-gs-2/2024/to-what-extent-have-the-legal-provisions-been-effective-in-curbing-violence-against-women-in-india-give-your-argument/>

Q7(c) · 10 marks

Trace the social and historical origins of Dalit movements in modern India

Topic · Social Movements in Modern India

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/sociology-gs-2/2024/trace-the-social-and-historical-origins-of-dalit-movements-in-modern-india/>

Q8(a) · 20 marks

Highlight the major contributions of the reform movements in pre-independent India

Topic · Social Movements in Modern India

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/sociology-gs-2/2024/highlight-the-major-contributions-of-the-reform-movements-in-pre-independent-india/>

Q8(b) · 20 marks

Identify different forms of inequalities associated with agrarian social structure in India

Topic · Social Classes in India

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Q8(c) · 10 marks

What are pressure groups? Discuss their role in decision-making in democracy

Topic · Politics and Society

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/sociology-gs-2/2024/what-are-pressure-groups-discuss-their-role-in-decision-making-in-democracy/>

Compiled answer key

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Q1(e) 10 marks	Q2(a) 20 marks	Q2(b) 20 marks	Q2(c) 10 marks
Q3(a) 20 marks	Q3(b) 20 marks	Q3(c) 10 marks	Q4(a) 20 marks
Q4(b) 20 marks	Q4(c) 10 marks	Q5(a) 10 marks	Q5(b) 10 marks
Q5(c) 10 marks	Q5(d) 10 marks	Q5(e) 10 marks	Q6(a) 20 marks
Q6(b) 20 marks	Q6(c) 10 marks	Q7(a) 20 marks	Q7(b) 20 marks
Q7(c) 10 marks	Q8(a) 20 marks	Q8(b) 20 marks	Q8(c) 10 marks

Question-wise key

Q1(a) · 10 marks Solution

Q1(b) · 10 marks Solution

Q1(c) · 10 marks Solution

Q1(d) · 10 marks Solution

Q1(e) · 10 marks Solution

Q2(a) · 20 marks Solution

Q2(b) · 20 marks Solution

Q2(c) · 10 marks Solution

Q3(a) · 20 marks Solution

Q3(b) · 20 marks Solution

Q3(c) · 10 marks Solution

Q4(a) · 20 marks Solution

Q4(b) · 20 marks Solution

Q4(c) · 10 marks Solution

Q5(a) · 10 marks Solution

Q5(b) · 10 marks Solution

Q5(c) · 10 marks Solution

Q5(d) · 10 marks Solution

Q5(e) · 10 marks Solution

Q6(a) · 20 marks Solution

Q6(b) · 20 marks Solution

Q6(c) · 10 marks Solution

Q7(a) · 20 marks Solution

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