



Indraprastha College for Women University of Delhi

Work Plan for ODD SEMESTER – 2026

Course Name:	BA (H) Sociology
Paper Title:	Sociology of India- I
Unique Paper Code:	2302101102
Semester:	I
Faculty:	Meeta Virmani
Year:	1 st

Work Plan			
Unit No.	Learning Objective	Lecture No.	Topics to be Covered
1	Understanding the historical and social formation of Indian society	1	Introduction to Sociology of India
		2	Formations of Indian Society: Historical Context
		3	Changing India (Robert Stern)
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		5	Antinomies of Society (A. Béteille)
2	Understanding the configurations and dynamics of contemporary Indian society	6	Caste in Contemporary India
		7	Caste: Change and Continuity
		8	Class and Social Stratification
		9	Tribe, Identity and Politics
		10	Gender and Women in India
		11	Family and Everyday Life in South Asia
		12	Religion and Ritual Practices
		13	Gender, Family and Religion: Discussions
		14	MID SEMESTER BREAK
		15	The Changing Village
		16	Cities, Urbanisation and Labour
		17	Contemporary Indian City and Urban Transformations
		Dispersal of Classes	

Unit	Contents/Syllabus
I	This unit seeks to familiarize the students with this entity through a sociological lens by delineating its historical formations and the kaleidoscopic configuration of its various key elements.
II	The aim of this unit is to render the key sociological elements identified - Caste, Village, Classes, Gender, Family, Religions, Tribes, and Cities as concrete and tactile. They are treated as relational and interlinked features of Indian society.
S. No.	Name of Authors/Books/Publishers
1.	Stern, Robert W. (2003). Changing India. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, Pp. 16-31.
2.	Béteille, André. (2000). Antinomies of Society: Essays on Ideologies and Institutions. Delhi: OUP, Pp. 198-207
3.	Zelliot, Eleanor. (2004). 'Caste in Contemporary India', in Robin Rinehart ed. Contemporary Hinduism: Ritual, Culture, and Practice, Santa Barbara: ABC-Clio, Pp. 243 - 268.
4.	Dube, Leela. (2001). 'Caste and Women', in Anthropological Explorations in Gender: Intersecting Fields. Delhi: Sage, Pp. 154-173.

Paper Components			
Credits	Lecture (L)	Tutorial (T)	Practical (P)
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Assessment Scheme			
S.No.	Component	Marking Scheme	Total Marks
1	Internal Assessment - Assignment - Class Test - Attendance	30	30
		12	
		12	
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2.	Continuous Assessment (Tutorial) - Activity 1 - Activity 2 - Attendance	40	40
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3.	Practical Continuous Assessment	--	
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	• End Term Written/Practical Exam • Viva		
4.	End Semester Examination		90