

HUL 272: Introduction to the Sociology of India

Minor I (20 marks)

Q1—Q6 are 2 marks each = 12 marks
Q7 = 8 marks

A. Please answer the following briefly:

1. Provide one similarity and one difference each between Nehru and Gandhi's views on the Indian village.
2. What are the two reasons given by P. Sainath for displacement of people from their lands, globally?
3. Mention two reasons given by Dipankar Gupta why large-scale peasant movements have not materialized even in areas that were traditionally rich in agriculture such as Haryana, Punjab and Western UP?
4. What were Ambedkar's chief disagreements with Nehru and Gandhi on the nature of the traditional Indian village? Provide two reasons.
5. What are the two main differences between the 'Orientalist' and 'Missionary' views on Indian society?
6. What do you understand by the concept of 'village republic'?

B. Please answer the following in not more than one page:

7. If you had to choose any single one of the three approaches — Functionalist/Marxist/Conflict— which one would you choose to describe the film of your choice (*Naya Daur* OR *Do Bigha Zamin*)? Give reasons for your choice and explain why the other two approaches do not work for you in the same manner.

OR

7. Briefly discuss two recent proposals mentioned by R Khera that have been proposed by the government for MNREGA. What is her evaluation of them and what reasons does she provide?