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PAPER 2



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Sociology Paper 2 - Topic Wise Marks Distribution

TOPICS	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
A. Introducing Indian Society:													
Perspectives on the Study of Indian Society:	30	20	10	30	0	10	0	30	10	10	0	10	10
(a) Indology (G.S. Ghure).	20	20	0	20	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	10	0
(b) Structural functionalism (M. N. Srinivas).	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	10
(c) Marxist sociology (A. R. Desai).	10	0	10	0	0	10	0	20	0	10	0	0	0
Impact of colonial rule on Indian society:	40	20	0	40	20	30	20	20	40	10	60	50	0
(a) Social background of Indian nationalism.	0	0	0	20	0	20	0	0	0	0	40	30	0
(b) Modernization of Indian tradition.	30	0	0	20	20	0	0	0	20	0	20	10	0
(c) Protests and movements during the colonial period.	0	20	0	0	0	0	10	20	20	10	0	0	0
(d) Social reforms.	10	0	0	0	0	10	10	0	0	0	0	10	0
B. Social Structure:													
Rural and Agrarian Social Structure:	30	20	30	30	10	10	30	10	0	20	0	30	0
(a) The idea of Indian village and village studies	20	0	20	10	10	10	20	10	0	10	0	10	0
(b) Agrarian social structure – evolution of land tenure system, land reforms.	10	20	10	20	0	0	10		0	10	0	20	0
Caste System:	0	20	40	40	50	30	50	40	50	50	50	20	45

(a) Perspectives on the study of caste systems: G. S. Ghurye, M. N. Srinivas, Louis Duménil, A. L. D. S. Pillai	0	0	10	10	20	0	30	20	0	20	20	0	30
(b) Features of caste system.	0	10	20	20	20	0	20	0	20	20	20	10	15
(c) Untouchability-forms and perspectives	0	10	10	10	10		0	20	30	10	10	10	0
Tribal Communities in India:	10	20	20	0	30	30	10	0	30	30	20	10	40
(a) Definitional problems.	0	20	0	0	20	10	0	0	20	0	0	0	20
(b) Geographical spread.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
(c) Colonial policies and tribes.	10	0	20	0	0	20	0	0	0	10	0	0	0
(d) Issues of integration and autonomy.	0	0	0	0	10	0	10	0	10	20	20	10	20
Social Classes in India:	40	20	40	0	10	10	0	30	0	10	0	30	35
(a) Agrarian class structure.	20	10	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
(b) Industrial class structure.	20	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
(c) Middle classes in India.	0	0	20	0	10	10	0	30	0	10	0	30	15
Systems of Kinship in India:	20	40	50	20	30	40	30	40	30	50	60	20	20
(a) Lineage and descent in India.	0	0	0	0	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
(b) Types of kinship systems.	10	0	20	0	30	0	0	0	10	0	20	10	0
(c) Family and marriage in India.	10	30	30	0	0	0	10	10	0	0	20	0	0
(d) Household dimensions of the family.	0	0	0	0	0	20	0	0	20	20	0	0	0

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