BACHELOR'S DEGREE PROGRAMME
Term-End Examination
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ELECTIVE COURSE : SOCIOLOGY
ESO-15 : SOCIETY AND RELIGION

Time: 3 hours                      Maximum Marks: 100

Note: This question paper has three sections. Attempt the questions as instructed in each section.

SECTION I

Answer any two of the following questions in about 500 words each.

1. Elucidate the relationships between religion, science and magic. 20
2. Elaborate the evolutionary theory of religion. 20
3. Explain the relationship between religion and social order. 20
4. Explain the major features of Bhakti movements in India. 20
SECTION II

Answer any four of the following questions in about 250 words each.

5. Explain religion from the functionalist perspective.

6. Discuss the reasons for decline of Buddhism in India.

7. Discuss religious pluralism in India.

8. Explain the impact of Christianity among tribes in India.

9. Discuss the growth and development of Jainism in India.

10. Discuss marriage rites among the Syrian Christians in India.

11. What do you mean by Fundamentalism?

12. Explain the social significance of religious festivals in India.
13. Answer any two of the following questions in about 100 words each:

(a) What are life cycle rituals?
(b) What do you understand by witchcraft?
(c) Define Animism.