SECTION I

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

1. Discuss religious beliefs in simple societies with appropriate examples.  

2. Outline the characteristics of sects, cults and denominations.
3. Describe the theological orientation of a tribal religion.

4. Compare and contrast Bhakti Movement and Sufism with appropriate examples.
SECTION II

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

5. Write about the social significance of religious festivals.

6. Differentiate between secularism and secularization.

7. Outline the functionalist theory of religion.

8. Discuss the relationship between religion and economic order.

9. Write a note on the social context of the emergence of Buddhism in India.

10. Describe the essential features of Veerashaivism.

11. Distinguish between shamans, priests and prophets.
SECTION III

Answer any two of the following questions in about 100 words each.

12. Bring out the social significance of pilgrimages. 6

13. Outline the characteristics of civil religion. 6

14. What is a religious symbol? 6

15. Write a note on the religious practices of the Birhors of Bihar. 6