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**Third Semester M.A. Degree Examination, January 2020.**

**Sociology**

**SO 231 – CURRENT DEBATES IN SOCIAL THEORY**

**(2018 Admission)**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 75

PART – A

**Multiple choice** questions.

1. Habermas's Critical theory focuses on \_\_\_\_\_ aspect
  - (a) Subjective
  - (b) Intersubjective
  - (c) Multidimensional
  - (d) Micro foundations
  
2. Prestige and fame is a type of \_\_\_\_\_ capital
  - (a) Economic Capital
  - (b) Social Capital
  - (c) Cultural Capital
  - (d) Symbolic Capital

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3. Which among the following statement is *not* true about Deconstruction
- (a) Meaning of Meanings
  - (b) Hidden assumptions about a text
  - (c) Universal system of thought that reveals what is true
  - (d) None of the above
4. The concept of hyper reality was proposed by \_\_\_\_\_
- (a) Jean Baudrillard
  - (b) Max Horkheimer
  - (c) Ulrich Beck
  - (d) J. Derrida
5. Panopticon structure is intended for \_\_\_\_\_
- (a) Deconstruction
  - (b) Public sphere
  - (c) Surveillance
  - (d) Discourse analysis

**(5 × 1 = 5 marks)**

## PART – B

### Definition of Concepts

Answer **any five** questions out of **8** in **50** words each.

- 6. Life world
- 7. Frankfurt school



8. Symbolic Power
9. Mcdonaldization
10. Multidimensional Sociology
11. Post modernism
12. Rules and resources
13. Discourse analysis

**(5 × 2 = 10 marks)**

### PART – C

#### Short Essay questions

**Any five** questions out of **8** in **250** words each.

14. Evaluate the contributions of Horkheimer and Adorno to Frankfurt school.
15. Differentiate between Habitus and Field.
16. Discuss the rationale of integrated paradigm by George Ritzer.
17. Write a short note on Derrida's Deconstruction.
18. Describe the Subaltern studies by Gayatri Chakravorty Spivak.
19. "Bourdieu's theory of Capital explains why everything is not possible for everybody". – Substantiate
20. Examine the importance of public sphere in the making of a rational society.
21. Assess Lyotard as a Post modern thinker.

**(5 × 6 = 30 marks)**



PART – D

Essay questions.

**Any two** questions out of **4** in **1200** words each.

22. Write an Essay on Jean Baudrillard's post modernism.
23. Briefly discuss the contribution of Anthony Giddens in overcoming 'dualism' in Sociological theories.
24. Explain how did Michel Foucault established the relationship between knowledge and power in his major works.
25. Discuss the relevance of the theory of communicative action by Habermas in the present society.

**(2 × 15 = 30 marks)**

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