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**FOURTH SEMESTER M.A. (SOCIOLOGY) DEGREE EXAMINATION  
MAY / JUNE- 2006**

**SO.241 – CURRENT DEBATES IN SOCIAL THEORY**

**Time: 3 Hours**

**Max. Marks: 75**

*Answer any five questions from the following in not more than 1000 words.*

*Each question carries 15 marks.*

1. Compare and contrast ethnomethodology with symbolic interactionism.
2. How Berger and Luckmann look at the social reality constructed by human beings?
3. Discuss the relationship between human consciousness and historical reality as brought out by Lukacs.
4. Elucidate Althusser's views on structure of dominance.
5. Analyze the structure, system and structuration from the view point of Giddens.
6. Examine the statement "Power is diffused throughout society and continuous in its effects" of Foucault.
7. Explain the concept "death of the author" of Roland Barthes.
8. Describe Bourdieu's theory of culture.

**(5 x 15 = 75 Marks)**