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FIRST SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION
NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2004

Branch – Sociology

SO 211 – SOCIAL THINKERS – I

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

Answer any five questions.

Each question carries 15 marks.

Each answer should be limited to 1000 words.

1. Critically examine Auguste Comte's theory on hierarchy of sciences.
2. How far the methodology of Comte is applicable in contemporary sociology ?
3. Discuss the basic features in Durkheim's theory on suicide.
4. Examine Durkheim's theory on social solidarity with examples.
5. Analyse Durkheim's social interpretation of religion.
6. Bring out the importance of social conflict as viewed by Simmel.
7. Elaborate Simmel's views on community.
8. Critically examine Simmel's contribution to social thought.