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**Third Semester M.A. (Sociology) Degree Examination, January 2012**  
**SO 231 – ADVANCED SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY**  
**(2008 Admissions)**

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 75

**PART – A**

Answer **all** questions in approximately **half a page**. **(10x1.5=15 Marks)**

Explain the following :

1. Organic analogy
2. Dysfunction
3. Manifest function
4. Non-realistic conflict
5. Manifest function
6. Myth
7. Kinship
8. Neo-functionalism
9. Theory of deviance
10. Values of opposition.

**PART – B**

Answer **any two** questions from **any two** different sets in not more than **600 words**. **(2x6=12 Marks)**

11. Explain the basic postulates of functionalism.

OR

Describe Merton's middle range theory.

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12. Discuss Radcliff-Brown's contributions to structuralism.

OR

Elucidate the central theme of structuralism as conceived by Levi-Strauss.

13. Examine the level of theorisation in sociology.

OR

Analyse Dahrendorf's theory of conflict.

14. Explain Merton's codification of functional analysis.

OR

Discuss the origin of exchange perspective.

### PART - C

Answer **any two** questions in not more than **1200** words **each**.

**(2×24=48 Marks)**

15. Discuss the nature of sociological theory.

16. Examine Parsons' social system theory.

17. Analyse the theory of roles propounded by S. F. Nadel.

18. Explain Coser's functional analysis of conflict.

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