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**THIRD SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION
NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2002**

Sociology

SO 231—SOCIOLOGICAL THEORIES

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

*Answer any five questions.
Each question carries 15 marks.
Each answer should not exceed 1000 words.*

1. Critically trace the relationship between Functionalism and Social change.
2. Compare and contrast Parsons and Merton's functional approach of analysis.
3. Evaluate the contributions of Lewis A. Coser to conflict functionalism.
4. Elucidate Ralf Dahrendorf's theory of dialectical conflict.
5. Discuss the criticisms on Homans's exchange theory with reference to the issues of rationality, tautology and reductionism.
6. Examine Blau's principles of exchange conflict with examples.
7. Trace the roots of structural analyses in sociology.
8. Bring out the contributions of Levi-Strauss to structuralism.