



LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034

B.A.DEGREE EXAMINATION –SOCIOLOGY

FIFTH SEMESTER – APRIL 2019

16USO5MC03/SO 5502–SOCIOLOGY OF RELIGION

Date: 22-04-2019

Dept. No.

Max. : 100 Marks

Time: 09:00-12:00

PART – A

Answer ALL questions in about 30 words each:

(10 x 2 = 20)

1. Define religion.
2. What is totemism?
3. What are the four basic elements of religion?
4. What are the key beliefs of Christianity?
5. What is secularism?
6. Define social stratification.
7. What is sect?
8. Mention any two religious movements in India.
9. Define fundamentalism.
10. What is religious tolerance?

PART – B

Answer any FIVE of the following in 300 words each:

(5 x 8 = 40)

11. Explain the functions of religion.
12. Highlight the characteristics of religious groups.
13. Assess the importance of sociology of religion.
14. Bring out the characteristics of religious movements.
15. Explain the interrelationship between social change and religious change.
16. Write a note on religion and women.
17. Explain the religious conversions in India.

PART – C

Answer any TWO of the following in 1200 words each:

(2 x 20 = 40)

18. Explain the nature and scope of sociology of religion.
19. Evaluate the merits and demerits of religious movements in India.
20. Explicate the relation between religion and social institutions.
21. Explain the freedom of religion envisaged by the Constitution of India.
