

M.A. Examination, 2019
Semester-II
Comparative Religion
Course : VI (Old)
Sociology of Religion (Contemporary)

Time : 3 Hours

Full Marks : 40

Questions are of value as indicated in the margin.

Answer **any four** questions.

1. What are the dimensions of religious commitment according to Stark and Glock? Which of them is a necessary dimension and why? Explain. 6+4=10
 2. What do Stark and Glock understand by 'intrinsic' and 'extrinsic' religiosity? Discuss. 5+5=10
 3. Why does André Beteille think that 'comparison' is the heart of sociology of religion? Discuss in detail. 10
 4. How does R.N. Bellah define 'religious evolution'? What are the five stages of religious evolution according to him? 5+5=10
 5. How has the concept of world evolved from the primitive to the historic stage of religion? Discuss after R.N. Bellah. 10
 6. Describe the religious symbolisms of the early modern stage of religion. How does Protestant Christianity embody those symbolisms ? Explain. 5+5=10
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