

**MDU**  
**UNDER GRADUATE SYLLABUS OF SOCIOLOGY**

**Scheme of Examination**

Maximum Marks	-	100 Marks
Theory	-	90 Marks
Internal Assessment	-	10 Marks

**Important Note:-**

The Paper setter shall set 8 questions from all the four units with internal choice. However, one compulsory question of short answer type (to be answered in 20 – 30 words) and it will cover all the units. It will consist of nine sub-questions of two marks each. The students will be required to attempt five questions in all. All questions will consist of 18 marks each.

**Papers and their nomenclature for Six Semesters degree course**

B.A. 1 <sup>st</sup> Semester	Basic Concepts in Sociology
B.A. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester	Society, Culture and Social Change
B.A. 3 <sup>rd</sup> Semester	Methods in Social Research
B.A. 4 <sup>th</sup> Semester	

Optional Papers \*

- i) Indian Society
- ii) **Social Problems in India**
- iii) Social Change and Development

**\* The candidate will have to opt for only one optional paper amongst the three papers listed above.**

B.A. 5 <sup>th</sup> Semester	Foundations of Social Thought
B.A. 6 <sup>th</sup> Semester	

Optional Papers \*

- i) Population Studies
- ii) Society and Environment
- iii) **Rural Society : Structure and Change**

**\* The candidate will have to opt for only one optional paper amongst the three papers listed above.**

**B.A. – 1<sup>st</sup> Semester**  
**Basic Concepts in Sociology**

Maximum Marks – 100  
Theory – 90  
Internal Assessment – 10  
Time – 3 hours

**Note:** - The Paper setter shall set 8 questions from all the four units with internal choice. However, one compulsory question of short answer type (to be answered in 20 – 30 words) and it will cover all the units. It will consist of nine sub-questions of two marks each. The students will be required to attempt five questions in all. All questions will consist of 18 marks each.

**UNIT – I**

**Nature, Definition & Scope of Sociology:** Its Relationship with History, Economics, Political Science, Anthropology and Psychology

**UNIT – II**

**Basic Concepts:** Social Structure, Status & Role, Society, Community, Association, Norms and Values: Its Nature and Characteristics

**UNIT – III**

**Social Groups and Processes:** Primary Secondary & Reference Group: Its Nature and Types; Integration, Cooperation and Conflict: Its Nature, Definition & Types

**UNIT – IV**

**Social Institutions:** Marriage, Family & Kinship, Religion: Its Functions and Characteristics

**Readings :**

Ahuja, Ram (2001): **Indian Social System**, New Delhi: Rawat Publication.

Ahuja, Ram (2003): **Society in India**, New Delhi: Rawat Publication.

Bottomore, T.B. (1972): **Sociology: A Guide to Problems and Literature**, Bombay: George Allen and Unwin (India).

Fulcher & Scott (2003): **Sociology**, New York: Oxford University Press.

Giddens, Anthony (2005): **Sociology**, Polity Press.

Harlambos, M. (1998): **Sociology: Themes and Perspective**, New Delhi: O.U.P.

Harlambos & Holborn (2000): **Sociology**, London: Harper-Collins.

Inkeles, Alex (1987): **What is Sociology?** New Delhi: Prentice-Hall of India.

Johnson, Harry M. (1995): **Sociology: A Systematic Introduction**, New Delhi: Allied Publishers.

MacIver and Page (1974): **Society: An Introductory Analysis**, New Delhi: Macmillan & co.

P. Gisbert (2010): **Fundamental of Sociology**, New Delhi: Orient Blackswan.

Maximum Marks – 100  
Theory – 90  
Internal Assessment – 10  
Time – 3 hours

**B.A. – 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester**  
**Society, Culture and Social**  
**Change**

**Note:** - The Paper setter shall set 8 questions from all the four units with internal choice. However, one compulsory question of short answer type (to be answered in 20 – 30 words) and it will cover all the units. It will consist of nine sub-questions of two marks each. The students will be required to attempt five questions in all. All questions will consist of 18 marks each.

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**Society :** Tribal,  
Rural, Urban,  
Industrial and Post  
Industrial: Its Nature,  
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**II**

**Culture:** Its Nature,  
Definition & Types:  
Material and Non-  
Material Culture;  
Socialization: Its  
Importance  
Processes and  
Stages; Social  
Control: Its Types  
and Means



### UNIT – III

**Processes of Social Change:** Industrialization, Secularization, Modernization & Globalization: Its Nature & Impact on Society

### UNIT – IV

**Concepts and Basis of Social Stratification:** Caste, Class, Power & Gender

#### Readings :

Bottomore, T.B. (1972): **Sociology: A Guide to Problems and Literature**, Bombay: George Allen and Unwin (India).

Beteille, A(1992) : **Essays in Comparative Sociology**, Delhi: Oxford University Press. Giddens, Anthony (2005): **Sociology**, Polity Press.

Harlambos, M. (1998): **Sociology: Themes and Perspective**, New Delhi: O.U. P.

Harlambos & Holborn (2000): **Sociology**, London: Harper-Collins.

Inkeles, Alex (1987): **What is Sociology?** New Delhi: Prentice-Hall of India.

Johnson, Harry M. (1995): **Sociology: A Systematic Introduction**, New Delhi: Allied Publishers.

MacIver and Page (1974): **Society: An Introductory Analysis**, New Delhi: Macmillan & co.

P. Gisbert (2010): **Fundamental of Sociology**, New

Delhi: Orient Blackswan. Singh Y. (1983) :

**Modernisation of Indian Tradition**, Jaipur, Rawat

Publications. Sharma K.L.(1986) : **Essays in Social**

**Stratification**, Jaipur, Rawat Publications.

**B.A. – 3rd Semester**  
**Methods in Social  
Research**

Maximum Marks – 100  
Theory – 90  
Internal Assessment – 10  
Time – 3 hours

**Note:** - The Paper setter shall set 8 questions from all the four units with internal choice. However, one compulsory question of short answer type (to be answered in 20 – 30 words) and it will cover all the units. It will consist of nine sub-questions of two marks each. The students will be required to attempt five questions in all. All questions will consist of 18 marks each.

**UNIT – I**

**Concepts of Social Research:** Nature, Definition and Steps of Social Research; Objectivity and Subjectivity in Social Research

**UNIT – II**

**Qualitative Methods:** Nature & Characteristics of observation, Interview, Case Study, Content Analysis and Social Survey - Their Importance in Social Research

**UNIT – III**

**Quantitative Methods:** Nature & Characteristics; Research Design, Sampling and Hypothesis : Their Nature, Types and Importance of Social Research

**UNIT – IV**

**Use of Statistics & Computer in Social Research:** Classification and Tabulation of Data; Measures of Central Tendency, Mean, Mode & Median; Use of Computer in Data Analysis

**Readings :**

Ahuja, Ram (2001): **Research Methods**, New Delhi: Rawat Publication.

Goode, W.J. and P.K.Hatt (1952): **Methods in Social Research**, New York: McGraw International.

Seltiz, Claise et al; (1959): **Research Methods in Social Relation**, New York: Henry Holt and Co.

Srivastava, Prakash G.N.(1994): **Advances Research Methodology**, Delhi: Radha Publication.

Thakur, Devender(2003): **Research Methodology in Social Science**, Delhi: Deep and Deep Publication.

Young, P.V.(1988): **Scientific Social Survey and Research**, New Delhi Prentice Hall.

Maximum Marks – 100  
Theory – 90  
Internal Assessment – 10  
Time – 3 hours

**B.A. - 4<sup>th</sup> Semester  
Indian Society  
(Optional-I)**

**Note:** - The Paper setter shall set 8 questions from all the four units with internal choice. However, one compulsory question of short answer type (to be answered in 20 – 30 words) and it will cover all the units. It will consist of nine sub-questions of two marks each. The students will be required to attempt five questions in all. All questions will consist of 18 marks each.

**UNIT –  
I**

**Evolution of Indian Society:**  
Traditional view of Indian Society; Factors Promoting Unity and Diversity in India; India as Pluralistic Society, Multi-Ethnic; Multi-Religious; Cultural and Lingual

**UNIT –  
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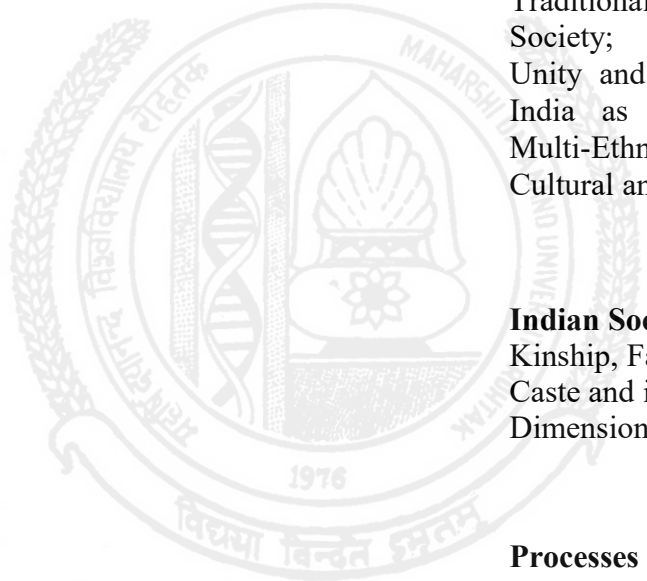
**Indian Social Institutions:**  
Kinship, Family, Marriage; Caste and its Changing Dimensions.

**UNIT –  
III**

**Processes of Social Change in India:** Sanskritization, Westernization, Parochialization and Universalization

**UNIT –  
IV**

**Social Issues and Problems:**  
Gender Discrimination, Secularism and Religious Minorities, Problems of Dalits, Women and OBC and Affirmative Actions



**Readings:**

Ahuja, Ram (1997): **Society in India: Concept, Theories and Recent Trends**, Jaipur: Rawat Publication.

Beteille, Andre (1992): **Backward Classes in Contemporary India**, New Delhi: OUP. Dube, S.C. (1991): **Indian Society**, New Delhi : National Book Trust.

Ghurye, G.S. (1968): **Social Tension**, Bombay: Popular Prakashan.

Karve, Iravati (1961): **Hindu Society: An Interpretation**, Pune: Daccan College. Mandelbaum, D.G. (1970): **Society in India**, Bombay: Popular Prakashan.

Sharma K.L.(ed.) (1994): **Caste and Class**, Jaipur, Rawat Publication.

Srinivas, M.N.(1980): **India's : Social Structure**, New Delhi : Hindustan Publication. Srinivas, M.N. (1985): **Social Change in Modern India**, New Delhi : Orient Longman. India: 2010 Govt. of India, New Delhi, Govt. of India publication division.

**B.A. - 4<sup>th</sup> Semester**  
**Social Problems in India**  
**(Optional-II)**

Maximum Marks – 100  
Theory – 90  
Internal Assessment – 10  
Time – 3 hours

**Note:** - The Paper setter shall set 8 questions from all the four units with internal choice. However, one compulsory question of short answer type (to be answered in 20 – 30 words) and it will cover all the units. It will consist of nine sub-questions of two marks each. The students will be required to attempt five questions in all. All questions will consist of 18 marks each.

**UNIT – I**

**Social Problem:** Concepts, Meaning and Importance, Deviance and Social Disorganization

**UNIT – II**

**Structural Issues:** Inequality of Caste, Class and Gender; Problems of Minorities.

**UNIT – III**

**Problem and Issues:** Female Foeticide, Dowry, Domestic Violence, Problems of Aged and Divorce

**UNIT – IV**

**Social Disorganization:** Crime and Juvenile Delinquency, Corruption, Drug Addiction, Suicide, Prostitution and AIDS

**Readings:**

Ahuja, Ram (2000): **Social Problems in India**, New Delhi: Rawat Publications.

Beteille, Andre (1992): **Backward Classes in Contemporary India**, New Delhi: OUP

Beteille, Andre (1974): **Social Inequality**, New Delhi: OUP

Bereman, G.D. (1979): **Caste and Other Inequalities: Essay in Inequality**, Meerut: Folklore Institute.

Dube, Leela (1997): **Women and Kinship, Comparative Perspectives on Gender in South and Southeast Asia**, New Delhi: Sage Publication.

Desai, Neera & Usha Thakkar (2007): **Women in Indian Society**, National Book Trust, India.

Gadgil, Madhav and Ramchandra Guha (1996): **Ecology and Equality: The use and Abuse of Nature in Contemporary India**, New Delhi: OUP.

Gill, S.S. (1998): **The Pathology of Corruption**, New Delhi: Harper Collin Publishers.

Satya Murty, T.V. (1996): **Region, Religion, Caste, Gender and Culture in Contemporary India**, New Delhi: OUP.

Maximum Marks – 100  
Theory – 90  
Internal Assessment – 10  
Time – 3 hours

**B.A. - 4<sup>th</sup> Semester**  
**Social Change and Development**  
**(Optional-III)**

**Note:** - The Paper setter shall set 8 questions from all the four units with internal choice. However, one compulsory question of short answer type (to be answered in 20 – 30 words) and it will cover all the units. It will consist of nine sub-questions of two marks each. The students will be required to attempt five questions in all. All questions will consist of 18 marks each.

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### **Unit – II**

**Theories of Social Change:** Linear; Cyclical; Fluctuation;  
Conflict Theories (Marx)

### **Unit – III**

**Social Change in Contemporary India:** Trends and Processes  
of Change – Sanskritisation, Westernisation, Modernisation and  
Secularisation

### **Unit – IV**

**State and Development in India:** Strategies of Government's  
Development Schemes – Impact of Five Year Plan, Community  
Development Programme and Panchayati Raj Institutions,  
Impact of Panchayati Raj on Women Empowerment

#### **Readings:**

Appadurai, Arjun.(1997), *Modernity At Large: Cultural  
Dimensions of Globalization*. New Delhi: OUP

Bernd, Hamns & Pandurang K. Mutagi (1998), *Sustainable  
Development and Future of Cities, Intermediate Technology  
Publication, UNSECO*

Dreze, Jean and Amartya Sen.(1996), *India: Economic  
Development and Social Opportunity*. New Delhi: OUP.

Desai, A.R. (1985), *India's Path of Development: A Marxist  
Approach*. Bombay: Popular Parkashan.(Chapter 2).

Dube, S.C. (1988), *Modernization and Development: The  
Search for Alternative Paradigm*, Vistaar Publication, New  
Delhi.

Dube, S.C. (2000), *Vikas Ka Samajshastra*, Vani Parkashan, New  
Delhi.

Giddens, Anthony.(1990), *The Consequences of Modernity*.

Cambridge: Polity Press. Magdoff, Harry (2002),

*Imperialism and Globalisation*, Cornerstone Publications,

Kharagpur. Myrdal, G. (1966), in Shanin, Theodor (Ed.),

*Peasant and Peasant Societies*, Penguin.

Moor, Wilbert and Robert Cook. (1967), *Social Change*. New  
Delhi: Prentice-Hall (India)

N.Long (1977), *An Introduction to the Sociology of Rural  
Development*, Tavistock Publications;London

Sharma, SL(1986), *Development: Socio-Cultural Dimensions*.

Jaipur: Rawat.(Chapter1). Srinivas, M.N. (1966), *Social  
Change in Modern India*. Berkley: University of Berkley.

S.C. Dube(1998): *Modernization and Development*, New Delhi:  
VistaarPublishers.

**B.A. – 5th Semester**  
**Foundations of Social Thought**

Maximum Marks – 100  
Theory – 90  
Internal Assessment – 10  
Time – 3 hours

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**UNIT – I**

**Positivism:** Comte's Law of three stages, Social Static & Dynamics; Evolutionism: Spencer's Evolutionary Approach

**UNIT – II**

**Functionalism:** Durkheims' Concept of Social Fact, Rules and the procedures for the study of Social Phenomena; Radcliffe Brown's Structural-Functional Approach

**UNIT – III**

**Conflict:** Marx's concept of Dialectical Historical Materialism, Class & Class Conflict; Coser's Approach of Social Conflict

**UNIT – IV**

**Interactionalism:** Weber's Interpretative Sociology, Ideal Types and Types of Social Action; G.H.Mead's Concept of Mind, Self & Society

**Readings :**

Atal, Yogesh (2003): **Sociology: From where to where**, Jaipur: Rawat Publication.

Barnes, H.E. (1959): **Introduction to the history of Sociology**, Chicago Uni. Press.

Bose, N.K.: **Structure of Hindu Society**, New Delhi.

Coser, Lewis, A. (1979): **Master of Sociological Thought**, Harcourt Brake, Jovanovich.

Dube, S.C.(1990): **Society in India**, New Delhi: National Book Trust.

Dumont, Luis (1970): **Homohierarchichus: The caste System and its Implications**, New Delhi: Vikas Publication.

Fletcher, Ronald (1994): **The Making of Sociology (Two Volumes)**, Jaipur: Rawat Publication

Ghurye, G.S.(1969): **Caste and Races in India**, Bombay: Popular Prakashan.

Johnson, H.M.( 1995) : **Sociology: A Systematic Introduction**, New Delhi: Allied Publishers.

Prabhu, P.H. ( 1963): **Hindu Social Organistion**, Bombay: Popular Parkashan.

Singh, Yogendra (1986): **Indian Sociology: Social conditioning and emerging trends**, New Delhi: Vistaar Publication.

**B.A. 6<sup>th</sup> Semester  
Population Studies  
(Optional-I)**

Maximum Marks – 100  
Theory – 90  
Internal Assessment – 10  
Time – 3 hours

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**UNIT – I**

**Population Studies:** Meaning, Scope and Significance;  
Demographic Processes: Fertility, Mortality and Migration

**UNIT – II**

**Population Theories:** Malthusian, Demographic Transition and Optimum Population Theory

**UNIT – III**

**Population Composition in India:** Age and Sex Structure, Sex-Ratio, Rural-Urban Composition, Literacy in India

**UNIT – IV**

**Population Planning and Control:** Needs and Objectives; Population Policy of India, National Rural Health Mission

**Readings:**

Agarwal, S.N. (1989): **Population Studies with Special Reference to India**, New Delhi: Lok Surjeet Publication.

Bose, Ashish (1991): **Demographic Diversity in India**, Delhi: B.R.Publishing Corporation.

Banarjee, D. (1985): **Health and Family Planning Services in India**, New Delhi: Lok Parkshan.

Chandrasekhar, S. (ed.) (1974): **Infant Mortality, Population Growth and Family Planning in India**, London: George Alen and Unwin Ltd.

Dubey, Surendra Nath (2001): **Population of India**, Delhi: Authors Press.

Kohli, S. (1977): **Family Planning in India**, New Delhi.

- Malthus, T.R. (1986): **An Essay on the Principle of Population**, London: William Pickering.
- Premi, M.K. (2004): **Social Demography**, Delhi: Jawahar Publishers and Distributors.
- Sharma, Rajendra (1997): **Demography and Population Problems**, New Delhi: Atlantic Publishers.
- Srivastava, O.S. (1998): **Demography and Population Studies**, New Delhi: Vikas Publishing House.
- National Rural Health Mission (2006), Govt. of India, New Delhi.

**B.A. – 6th Semester**  
**Society and**  
**Environment (Optional-**  
**II)**

Maximum Marks – 100  
Theory – 90  
Internal Assessment – 10  
Time – 3 hours

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**UNIT – I**

**Environment and its Concepts:** Eco-system, Ecology, Environment and Society – their inter-relations

**UNIT – II**

**Environmental Issues:** Sustainable Development, Industrialization and Development, Urbanization and Development, Environmental Pollution

**UNIT – III**

**Environment and Development:** Global Efforts for Resource Conservation, Environmental Consciousness and Movements: Chipko, Sardar Sarovar and Tehri Dam

**UNIT – IV**

**Contemporary Environmental Problems:** Water, Forest, Urban Wastes, Slums, Industrial Pollution, Global-Warming

**Readings :**

Baviskar. Amita (1995), *In the Valley of the River: Tribal Conflict over Development in the Narmada Valley*, Delhi: OUP.

Desh Bandhu and Garg, R.K. (eds) (1986), *Social Forestry and Tribal Development*, Dehradun: Natraj Publishers.

Dubey, S.M and Murdia, Ratno (ed) (1980), *Land Alienation and Restoration in Tribal Communities in India*, Bombay: Himalaya Publishing House.

Gadgil, Madhav & Ram Chandra. Guha (1996), *Ecology and Equity: The use and Abuse of Nature in contemporary India*:: New Delhi: OUP.

Ghai, Dharam (ed) (1994), *Development and Environment: Sustaining People and Nature*. UNRISD: Blackwell Publication.

Giddens, Anthony (1996), *Global Problems and Ecological Crisis*”, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition New York: W.W. Norton and Co.

Guha, Ramechandra (1995), *The Unquiet Woods: Ecological Change and Peasant Resistance in the Himalaya*. OUP: Delhi.

Kanwar, J.S (ed) (1988) ***Water Management: The key to Developing Agriculture***, New Delhi. Agricole.

Katyal, Jimmy and M.Satake(1989), ***Environmental Pollution***, New Delhi: Anmol Publications.

Krishna, Sumi (1996), ***Environmental Politics: People's lives and Development Choices***, New Delhi: Sage Publications.

Mehta S.R. (ed)(1997), ***Poverty, Population and Sustainable Development***, New Delhi: Rawat Publications.

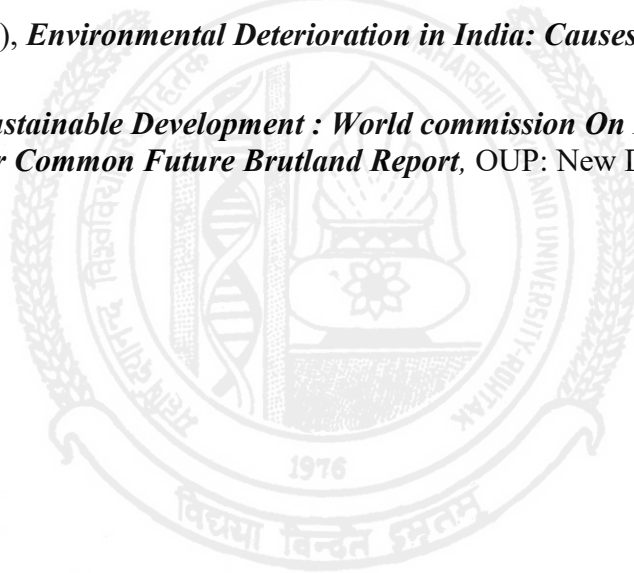
Schnaiberg, Allan (1980), ***The Environment***, New York: OUP.

Shiva, Vandana (1988), ***Staying Alive: Women, Ecology and the Environment***, London Zed Books.

Shiva. Vandana (1991) ***Ecology and the Politics of Survival: Conflicts over Natural Resources in India***. New Delhi: Sage Publications.

Singh, Gian (1991), ***Environmental Deterioration in India: Causes and Control***, New Delhi: Agricole.

UNDP, (1987), ***Sustainable Development : World commission On Environment and Development, Our Common Future Brutland Report***, OUP: New Delhi.



**B.A. - 6th Semester**

**Rural Society : Structure and Change  
(Optional-III)**

Maximum Marks – 100  
Theory – 90  
Internal Assessment – 10  
Time – 3 hours

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**UNIT – I**

**Introduction to Rural Sociology:** Origin of Rural Sociology, Nature, Subject Matter and Importance of the Study of Rural Sociology

**UNIT – II**

**Rural Social Structure:** Caste and Class in Rural Set Up, Inter Caste Relations and Jajmani System, Rural Family and Changing pattern

**UNIT – III**

**Rural Economy:** Land Tenure, Land Reforms, Green Revolution and Its Impact, Bonded and Migrant Labourers, Trends of Change in Rural Society

**UNIT – IV**

**Rural Political Structure:** Traditional Caste Panchayats, Panchayat before and after 73<sup>rd</sup> Amendment, New Panchayati Raj and Empowerment of Women

**Readings :**

Beteille, A. (1974), **Studies in Agrarian Social Structure**, Delhi: Oxford University Press.

Desai, A.R. (1969), **Rural Sociology in India**, Bombay : Popular Prakashan.

Dube, S.C.(1955), **Indian Village**, London : Routledge and Kegan Paul.

Doshi, S.L. and P.C.Jain (1999), **Rural Sociology**, Jaipur : Rawat Publication.

Jodhka, S.S. (1995), **Debt, Dependence and Agrarian Change**, Jaipur : Rawat Publication.

Sharma, K.L. (1997), **Rural Society in India**, Jaipur : Rawat Publication.