Presidency University Department of Sociology Admission Test—Model Question

Time: 2 hrs Full Marks: 100

Instructions:

- A. Answer all questions either in English or Bengali. Only Q No 4 must be answered in English.
- B. Use four separate pages as earmarked for four answers.
- C. Do not write your name and or any other particulars in the answer script. Write all such information on the attached slip.
- D. Use only blue or black ball-point pen.

1. Write an essay on 'The changing nature of job in the Globalized World.' (250 words).

2. **The role of Mother is central in a family**—Write both for and against this statement. (200 words) 20

3. A. Short Notes:

5x5 = 25

- (a) Global warming
- (b) Brand consciousness
- ©Cyber space
- (d) Homosexuality
- (e) Generation next
- B. Multiple Choice Question:

1x5=5

- (a) Who coined the term 'Sanskritization'?
- (i) August Comte
- (ii) Yogendra Singh
- (iii) M.N. Srinivas
- (iv) Daniel Lerner
- (b) Who has written the book 'Modernization of Indian Tradition'?
- (i) Yogendra Singh
- (ii) M.N. Srinivas
- (iii) Ramkrishna Mukherjee
- (iv) T.N. Madan

- (c) Who has coined the term 'role-set'?
- i) Talcott Parsons
- ii) Radcliffe-Brown
- iii) Robert Merton
- iv) Malinowski
- (d) Who said that Sociology is the queen of all social sciences?
- (i) St Simon
- (ii) August Comte
- (iii) Emile Durkheim
- iv)M. Ginsberg
- (e) Which is the Year of French Revolution?
- (i) 1879
- (ii) 1748
- (iii) 1789
- iv)1761
- 4. Read the following passage and answer the question in your own words:

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Broadly speaking, the rural-urban dichotomy gave way to a continuum wherein the big cities emerged as culturally heterogeneous and small rural settlements remained culturally homogeneous, with the towns falling in between. Metropolitan centres like Mumbai, Kolkata, Delhi, Bangalore have their 'cosmopolitans', be they software engineers, doctors, university teachers or authors. On the other end of the continuum fall the remote rural/tribal villages largely unvisited by modernity. Any astute observation of the Indian social reality cannot but be impressed by this wide range of socio-cultural diversity (Source: *Crisis and Contention in Indian Society*, by T.K. Oommen, Sage, 2005, pp. 36-7).

Question: What is your opinion about the rural urban dynamics in India?

Structure of the Question

Total Marks:100

- (a) An Essay on a contemporary topic :30
- (b) Comment on a topic :20
- © Short Notes:25
- (d) M.C.Q.: 05
- (e) Comprehension: 20