

2008

( July )

ANTHROPOLOGY

( Theories and Methods )

Course No. : 205

Full Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks  
for the questions*

Answer **any five** questions

1. Define Data. Discuss the importance of data in theorization with reference to any anthropological theory. 5+10=15
2. Define Hypothesis. Discuss the sources of a hypothesis. 5+10=15
3. Elaborate the tenets of cultural evolutionism. Critically examine the methods and approaches used by the cultural evolutionists. 6+9=15

4. Write an essay on Historical Particularism. 15
5. What is Positivism? Justify whether Radcliffe-Brown was a positivist or not.  $6+9=15$
6. Discuss Malinowski's theory of culture. Elaborate the methods highlighted by him towards understanding the Native's point of view.  $7+8=15$
7. What do you understand by cognitive anthropology? Discuss the cognitive approaches to studying culture.  $5+10=15$
8. Critically discuss Geertz's interpretive methodology. 15
9. Define post-Modernism. Do we have a post-modern approach in anthropology? Justify your answer.  $5+10=15$
10. Write short notes on any two of the following :  $7\frac{1}{2}\times 2=15$
- (a) Concept
- (b) Induction and deduction
- (c) Comparative method
- (d) Symbolic anthropology

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