CHRIST UNIVERSITY, BANGALORE-560029

M.A. Sociology IV End Semester Examination March 2010

Code: MSO441
Sub: Contemporary Sociological Theory Part - II

Max. Marks: 100
Duration: 3 Hrs

SECTION - A

5 x 8 = 40

Answer any 5 questions.

1. Examine the changes in the public sphere under capitalism.
2. Following Habermas, discuss knowledge and human interest.
3. Explain Bourdieu’s concept of Field.
4. What is objectivist subjectivist division in sociology according to Bourdieu?
5. Discuss with suitable examples the concept of ideological state apparatus following Louis Althusser.
6. Explain the conceptualization of ideology that Louis Althusser developed based on Marx’s ideas.
7. What was Horkheimer’s critique of positivism?
8. Explain the notion of authoritarian personality.

SECTION - B

4 x 15 = 60

Answer any 4 questions.

10. Discuss Bourdieu’s sociology of culture.
11. Individual in social field struggle for prestige, wealth and power - explain.
12. Discuss the ways in which Althusser brought the notion of subject into Marxian analysis.
13. Examine the important ideas of Horkheimer.
14. Discuss contributions of Adorno to Frankfurt School of social theory.