

MASTERS IN ANTHROPOLOGY

Term-End Examination

December, 2013

MANE-003 : COMPARATIVE ETHNOGRAPHY

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note : Attempt any five questions. All questions carry equal marks. The word limit for 10 marks question is 250 and for 20 marks is 500. Attempt atleast two questions from each section.

SECTION-A

1. Reflect on the history and development of Ethnography in anthropology. Discuss the methodological concerns. 10+10
2. Discuss the ethical issues related to identity of the field area /informants. that a researcher might have to face during the course of fieldwork. 20
3. Discuss the issues pertaining to fieldwork methods and intellectual content of the ethnography **family and Kinship among the Pandits of Rural Kashmir** by T.N. Madan. 10+10
4. Analyse Jan Breman's work **Patronage and Exploitation : Changing Agrarian Relations in South Gujarat** with emphasis on Hali system. 20
5. Write short notes on the following with reference to the ethnographics discussed in the course. 10+10
 - (a) Kinship
 - (b) Rites de passage

SECTION-B

6. Discuss the role of Mahabrahmans in performing the death rituals as described in Jonathan Parry's work **Death in Banaras**. 20
 7. Discuss the social organisation and political institution of the Nuers with reference to Evan's - Pritchard's work **The Nuer**. 10+10
 8. Analyse Serena Nanda's work **neither man nor woman : The Hijras of India**. Focusing on the construction of gender. 20
 9. Discuss the ethnography **The Gonds of Andhra Pradesh** elaborating on the concepts tradition and change. 20
 10. Write short notes on the following with reference to the ethnographics discussed in the course. 10+10
 - (a) Kula ring
 - (b) Cree world view
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