3 (Sem-4/CBCS) ANT HC 1

2023

ANTHROPOLOGY

(Honours Core)

Paper: ANT-HC-4016

(Theories of Culture and Society)

Full Marks: 60

Time: Three hours

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

- 1. Answer the following questions: 1×7=7
 - (a) Who was the only pioneer of British School of Neoevolutionism?
 - (b) Who developed the concept of modal personality?
 - (c) Who referred to Greece and Persia as the dominant culture?
 - (d) Who applied a theory of progressive evolution to human societies in the middle 1800s?

- (e) When and who established anthropology as 'a science of culture' and a separate discipline at Oxford University, London?
- (f) Who developed the concept of symbolic anthropology in the 1970s?
- (g) Who is the author of the book The Origin of Species? In which year was it published?
- 2. Answer in brief:

 $2 \times 4 = 8$

- (a) Name the divisions of the classical evolutionary school.
- (b) What do you understand by 'Psychic unity of mankind'?
- (c) What are the differences between universal and multilinear cultural evolution?
- (d) Who are the important thinkers of symbolic and interpretative anthropology?
- 3. Answer the following questions: (any three) 5×3=15
 - (a) Discuss briefly about the criticisms of the American School of Diffusion.

- (b) Discuss briefly on historical particularism.
- (c) Write briefly on Malinowski's theory of functionalism.
- (d) What is Neo-evolutionism? Discuss briefly.
- (e) Discuss about the positive contributions of the classical evolutionists.
- 4. Answer any three the following: 10×3=30
 - (a) Discuss about the British School of Diffusion in detail.
 - (b) Discuss about the impact of culture on personality formation.
 - (c) Discuss about the evolutionary views advocated by V. Gordon Childe.
 - (d) Discuss about the basic postulates of the classical evolutionary theory.
 - (e) Elaborate on Leslie White's approach to the evolutionary theory.
 - (f) Write an essay on the French School of Structural Functionalism.