

**IISER - KOLKATA**  
**HU1202**  
**(Sociology II)**  
**Spring End-Semester Examination 2019**

Full Marks: 50

Time: 2.5 hours

Answer the following questions:

Figures in the right hand margin indicate full marks.

1. Why did the Romantic Conservative philosophers insist on the issue of social order? Discuss the major ideas of the Romantic Conservative philosophy, in this context. 2+8=10
2. Examine the basic features of the institution of caste. Which one of these, in your view, is most important? Justify your answer. 6+4=10
3. Give an estimate of the feminist critique of the mainstream sociology. 10

OR

Analyse the basic ideas contained in 5+5=10

- a) Liberal feminism and
- b) Radical feminism

4. Explain the features of Marxist dialectical method. 10
5. Write short notes on any two of the following: 5+5=10
  - a) Gender as both a category of analysis and a category of description.
  - b) The social construction of gender.
  - c) The role of the Enlightenment philosophers in synthesizing rationalism and empiricism.
  - d) Counter-revolutionary philosophy as represented by Bonald and Maistre.

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