

Department of Sociology

MA Sociology

SYS 505 Social Psychology

Course Outcome:

CO1.	Understand concepts in social behaviour
CO2.	Processes of motivation, perception and attitude formation
CO3.	Understand Crowd and mob behaviour.
CO4.	Social behavior in relation to social institutions

- CO5. Forces behind the crowd and mob behavior
- CO6. Factors behind the social discrimination
- CO7. Leadership types and functions CO8. Personality traits and formation
- CO9. Major theories to interpret human behaviour

Objectives:

After the completion of this course a student will be able to

- 1. Understand the basic concepts in social behavior
- 2. Understand the dynamics of social behavior in relation to the social institutions
- 3. Analyze the processes of motivation, perception and attitude formation
- 4. Comprehend the forces behind the crowd and mob behavior
- 5. Know the factors behind the social discrimination

UNIT - I: Introduction:-

Hrs -12

- a. Meaning and importance of social psychology
- b. Relationship with social sciences sociology and anthropology.
- c. Relevance of social psychology in India

UNIT - II : Basic Concepts:

Hrs - 12

- a. Motivation
- b. Perception and learning
- c. Personality and development

UNIT - III : Major Theories in Social Psychology:

Hrs -12

- a. Role theory Merton
- b. Symbolic interaction Blumer
- c. Theory of prejudice Allport

UNIT – IV : Social Attitudes:

Hrs -14

- a. Formation and change of attitudes
- b. Stereotypes and prejudices
- c. Discrimination and deprivation of social groups

UNIT - V : Collective Behaviour:

Hrs -14

- a. Leader and followers
- b. Rumour and crowd behaviour
- c. Propaganda and public opinion

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