**TU/CDOE**

**TEZPUR UNIVERSITY**

**SEMESTER END EXAMINATION (SPRING, 2024)**

**MASOD/MSO 201: SOCIOLOGICAL THEORIES**

**Full Marks: 70 Time: 3 hours**

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks for the individual question*

**1. Answer the following questions (5x2=10)**

1. Define Semiotics.
2. What are rules and resources?
3. Giddens developed the concept of structure in his book \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
4. Define discourse.
5. What is Breaching Experiment?

**2. Answer any four questions (4x5=20)**

1. Explain binary opposition in linguistic structuralism.
2. According to Berger and Luckmann, how is objective reality produced?
3. Write a note on Goffman’s idea of social life.
4. Examine the negative role of mass media in contemporary society.
5. Write a note on Foucault’s concept of power and knowledge.

**3. Answer any four questions (4x10=40)**

1. Critically evaluate Talcott Parsons’s theory of social action.
2. Discuss the significance of Giddens’ perspective of structuration in sociology.
3. “The social reality of everyday life is constructed not given and naturally formed”. Substantiate your statement.
4. Evaluate Weber and Simmel’s contribution on critical theory.
5. Discuss the emergence and development of public sphere according to Habermas.

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