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**B.A. DEGREE (C.B.C.S.) [REGULAR/IMPROVEMENT/REAPPEARANCE/
MERCY CHANCE] EXAMINATION, MARCH 2025**

First Semester

B.A. Islamic History

Core Course—PERSPECTIVES OF SOCIAL SCIENCE

[For Private Registration Candidates]

(2017 Admissions onwards)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum Marks : 80

Instructions to Private candidates only : *This question paper contains two sections. Section I questions in the answer book provided. Section II Internal Examination questions must be answered in the question paper itself. Follow the detailed instructions given under Section II.*

Section I

PART A

*Answer any ten questions.
Each question carries 2 marks.*

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| 1. Rationalism. | 2. Sociotherapy. |
| 3. Public Budgeting. | 4. Subjectivity. |
| 5. Annual Report. | 6. Thesis. |
| 7. Chain of Narrators. | 8. Ibn Khaldun. |
| 9. Humanism. | 10. Ashraf Muslims. |
| 11. Social class. | 12. Women Education in India. |

(10 × 2 = 20)

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PART B

*Answer any **six** questions.*

Each question carries 5 marks.

13. How did the Enlightenment influence the development of social science as a distinct field of study ?
14. Explain the key methodological differences between natural science and social science.
15. How does social work apply theories and methods from social science to address real-world problems ?
16. Why are social science dissertations valuable for identifying gaps in current literature and emerging research trends ?
17. Can social science research be truly scientific without testable hypotheses ?
18. In what ways did Islamic Golden Age scholars integrate empirical observation with philosophical inquiry to study human societies ?
19. How did Aristotle's classifications of constitutions influence modern comparative politics ?
20. How do contemporary Muslim societies reconcile Islamic teachings on social equality with modern class inequalities.
21. How did the ancient varna and jati systems evolve into the modern caste hierarchy, and what role did colonial rule play in institutionalizing it ?

(6 × 5 = 30)

PART C

*Answer any **two** questions.*

Each question carries 15 marks.

22. Why is medieval chronicle writing considering a precursor to modern historiography and social history ?
23. Identify the major source materials used in the study of social sciences, and critically analyze their key strengths and limitations.
24. Examine the concept of objectivity in social sciences, discussing both its theoretical importance and the practical challenges that constrain its application in research.
25. Analyze how classical Islamic jurisprudence (fiqh) has shaped gender roles, particularly in marriage, divorce, and inheritance. To what extent are these rulings reflective of their historical context, and how have modern Muslim scholars reinterpreted them ?

(2 × 15 = 30)

