

SNU Chennai Entrance Examination 2026 (SNUCEE 2026)

Sociology Syllabus

Indian Society

Unit 1: Introducing Indian Society

- Colonialism, Nationalism, Class and Community (Non- evaluative)

Unit 2: The Demographic Structure of the Indian Society

- Theories and concepts in demography, • Rural-Urban Linkages and Divisions, Population Policy in India

Unit 3: Social Institutions: Continuity and Change

- Caste and the Caste System, • Tribal Communities, • Family and Kinship

Unit 4: Patterns of Social Inequality and Exclusion

- Social Inequality and Social Exclusion, • Systems justifying and perpetuating Inequality - Caste, Tribe, the Other Backward Classes, • Adivasi Struggles
- The Struggle for Women's Equality and Rights, • The struggles of the Differently Abled

Unit 5: The Challenges of Cultural Diversity

- Cultural communities and the nation state, • Regionalism in the Indian context
- The Nation state and religion related issues and identities, • Communalism, secularism and the nation state
- State and Civil Society

Social Change and Development in India

Unit 1: Structural Change

- Understanding Colonialism, Industrialization, Urbanization

Unit 2: Cultural Change

- Social Reform Movements, • Different Kinds of Social Change: Sanskritisation, Westernization, Modernization, Secularization

Unit 3: Change and Development in Rural Society

- Agrarian Structure: Caste & class in Rural India, • Land Reforms, Green Revolution and Emerging Agrarian society, • Green revolution and its social consequences, • Transformation in rural society.
- Circulation of Labour, Globalization, Liberalization & Rural Society

Unit 4 : Change and development in Industrialized society

- From planned Industrialization to Liberalization
- How people find Jobs
- Work Processes: How work is conducted, working conditions, home based work, Strikes and Unions

Unit 5: Social Movements

- Concept of Social Movements
- Theories and Classification of Social Movements
- Environmental Movements
- Class-Based Movements: Workers, Peasants,
- Caste-Based Movements: Dalit Movement, Backward Class/Castes, Trends in Upper Caste Responses
- Tribal Movements
- Women's Movements in Independent India