

23.ASSESSMENT

Self-check Questions

- 1. Which of the following elements of a social system refers to the underlying pattern of expected behaviors, rights, and duties associated with a social position?
- a) Sentiment
- b) End Goal
- c) Status-Role
- d) Sanction
- 2. According to the characteristics of a social system, the presence of regularities, predictable sequences, and recurrent structures within interactions points to:
- a) Capacity for Adjustment
- b) Functional Interdependence
- c) Order and Pattern
- d) Plurality of Individual Actors
- 3. The ability of a social system to adapt to its external environment and secure necessary resources is primarily related to which characteristic?
- a) Linkage with the Cultural System
- b) Capacity for Adjustment and Adaptation
- c) Functional Interdependence
- d) Expressed and Implied Aims
- 4. In the context of a social system, rewards or punishments used to enforce conformity to norms are known as:
- a) Facilities
- b) Sentiments
- c) Ideals
- d) Sanctions

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- 5. Which statement best describes the relationship between a social system and its social structure?
- a) Social structure is the dynamic process, while the social system is the static framework.
- b) Social structure is the visible anatomy of the social system, providing its stable framework.
- c) They are interchangeable terms with no fundamental difference.
- d) The social system exists independently of any social structure.
- 6. Knowledge within a social system primarily refers to beliefs held without empirical proof, like religious doctrines.
- 7. A key characteristic of a social system is that its constituent units are entirely isolated and function independently.
- 8. The 'implied aims' of a social system are always explicitly recognized and stated by its members.
- 9. Power in a social system is solely exercised through coercive force and never through legitimate authority.
- 10. Social structure represents the enduring, patterned arrangements that give form to the dynamic social system.

Answers to Self-Check Questions

- 1. c) Status-Role
- 2. c) Order and Pattern
- 3. b) Capacity for Adjustment and Adaptation
- 4. d) Sanctions
- 5. b) Social structure is the visible anatomy of the social system, providing its stable framework
- 6. False
- 7. False
- 8. False
- 9. False



10. True

Short Answer Questions

- Q1. Briefly explain the role of Ideals and Norms as elements within a social system, and how they contribute to its order.
- Q2. Describe what is meant by the Functional Interdependence and Unity as a characteristic of a social system.
- Q3. Distinguish between a social system and social structure by providing a concise analogy to illustrate their relationship.

Long Answer Questions

- Q1. Select and elaborate on any three elements of a social system (e.g., Faith & Knowledge, Sentiments, Power, Sanction & Facility), explaining their definition and specific contribution to the system's functioning and persistence.
- Q2. Discuss the key characteristics of a social system, such as its order, capacity for adjustment, and linkage with the cultural system. Explain how these characteristics collectively illustrate the dynamic and organized nature of a social system, and how this relates to its underlying social structure.