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**School of Liberal Education**

Bachelor of Arts Honours in Sociology

Mid Term Examination - May 2024

Duration : 90 Minutes

Max Marks : 50

**Sem IV - K1UE406T - Western Sociological Thinkers**General Instructions*Answer to the specific question asked**Draw neat, labelled diagrams wherever necessary**Approved data hand books are allowed subject to verification by the Invigilator*

- 1) How does Functionalism view society as a whole? K2 (2)
- 2) Who is considered the founder of Structuralism? K1 (3)
- 3) How did Robert K. Merton expand upon Emile Durkheim's theory of anomie? K2 (4)
- 4) Describe the role of language in Structuralist theory. K2 (6)
- 5) How might you use Structuralist theory to interpret the meaning behind a piece of literature or artwork? K3 (9)
- 6) Apply Symbolic Interactionist principles to analyze a social interaction between two individuals. K3 (9)
- 7) Examine how Symbolic Interactionism explains the process of social change. K4 (8)
- 8) Compare and contrast Robert K. Merton's strain theory with other theories of deviance. K4 (12)

**OR**

- Evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of Talcott Parsons' structural-functionalism in explaining social phenomena. K4 (12)