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SOCIOLOGY ANSWER KEY

CHAPTER:- TERMS, CONCEPT AND THEIR USE IN SOCIOLOGY

- 1. Society is a network of social relationships, institutions, and shared culture through which individuals live together and interact.
- 2. Social structure refers to the organized pattern of relationships and roles that shape people's behavior in society.
- 3. Community → based on close, emotional, and permanent relationships (e.g., a village).
 - Association → a group formed for a specific purpose (e.g., trade union).
- Ascribed status → caste, gender, age.
 Achieved status → doctor, teacher, athlete.
- 5. A social role is the expected behavior attached to a social status (e.g., a teacher's role is to educate students).
- Norms → specific rules of behavior (e.g., standing in a queue).
 Values → shared beliefs about what is right/wrong, desirable/undesirable (e.g., honesty, freedom).
- 7. Concepts are building blocks of sociological knowledge. They help:
 Organize information, Compare societies, Develop theories, Avoid vague and common-sense explanations.
- 8. A student who is also a sports captain may face conflict during exams (study vs. practice). Sociology helps analyze and balance such conflicting expectations.
- 9. Norms regulate behavior, but people often break them due to lack of enforcement, peer influence, or self-interest. Sociology explains this through concepts of deviance and weak social control.
- 10. Status (social position) → linked with → Role (expected behavior).
 Values (beliefs about right/wrong) → give rise to → Norms (rules of behavior).
 Together, they structure social life.