

Self evaluation
Lecture 17: Religion-III

Objective questions

Instructions: Please read the following instructions carefully before writing your answers:

- 1) Each Question carries 1 mark.
 - 2) There are ten names/phrases/statements against each concept out of which only one is the most appropriate matching name/phrase/statement. Identify it by writing the Sl. No. of the phrase/statement as the most appropriate alternative.
 - 3) **The discarded answer if any, must be crossed properly and supported by initial of the candidate.**
 - 4) If a question is answered wrongly or more than one answers are marked, 0.10 marks will be deducted for each such question.
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Match the entries in Column 2 with Arguments in Column 3.

Sl. No.	Column 2: Concept	Column 3: Name/Phrase/statement	Alternative
1.	Work	Religion is the opium of the working class	
2.	Deeds in the previous birth	Presents religion as the only hope of the hopeless world	
3.	False consciousness	Belief in God – one God or many gods and goddesses	
4.	Marx	Part of Islamic beliefs	
5.	Collectivization of the means of production	Is closer to religious philosophies of India	
6.	Theism	The idea that natural objects have a soul	
7.	Condition of alienation	Suggests that the goal is not to know the rules of the world but change this world	
8.	Pantheism	Should lead to pleasure and self actualization if the exploitative economic institutions are absent	
9.	The day of judgment	Upliftment of the whole society leading to end of alienation among workers and proletariats	
10.	Animatism	Hindu explanation of failures and unjust conditions	

Subjective questions

- Q.1. Write a note on Marxist theory of religion.
- Q.2. Distinguish between monotheism, polytheism and pantheism. To which category of religious beliefs does Hindu thought belong?
- Q.3. What is the major difference between magic and religion? Give one example of each.
- Q.4. Define: (a) fetishism; (b) collectivization of means of production; and (c) mana.
- Q.5. Explain the difference between animism and animatism.

Exercises

- E.1. What is the idea of “the day of judgment”?
- E.2. If the masses adopt a more fatalistic view of life, will they ever revolt against the unacceptable economic condition? If not, why not?
- E.3. Indians are most religious people and most of them believe in the theory of re-birth or the day of judgment. As per the report of Transparency International Indians are also most corrupt. Is there any relationship between the two?
- E.4. From whose perspective is false consciousness among people false?
- E.5. How can one say that religion is the opium of the working class?