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SUBJECT:	SOCIOLOGY
PAPER NUMBER:	I
DATE:	24 th May 2016
TIME:	4.00 p.m. to 7.05 p.m.

ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS: Questions carry equal marks.

1. A structureless society is yet to be realized. Discuss with reference to sociological theory.
2. Robert K. Merton refocuses Talcott Parsons' functionalist theory. Discuss.
3. Compare and contrast Max Weber's and Ralph Dahrendorf's theories of social conflict.
4. Discuss Erving Goffman's concept of 'Total Institution'.
5. Emile Durkheim's anomie theory has had a lasting and profound impact on sociology. Elaborate.

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SUBJECT:	SOCIOLOGY
PAPER NUMBER:	II
DATE:	25 th May 2016
TIME:	9.00 a.m. to 12.05 p.m.

ANSWER THREE QUESTIONS: ONE QUESTION FROM EACH SECTION AND ANY OTHER QUESTION.

Questions carry equal marks.

PART 1: METHODOLOGY

1. Sociological research deals with people's behaviour. Elaborate.
2. Questionnaires are a reliable sociological research instrument. Discuss.
3. "Maltese young people are increasingly becoming individualistic". Elaborate on how you would go about investigating this statement.

PART 2: SUBSTANTIVE AREAS

4. Sociologists refer to the 'dehumanising' nature of modernity. Discuss.
5. While levels of social mobility have increased, a number of obstacles still hinder the development of a truly 'open society'. Discuss.

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SUBJECT:	SOCIOLOGY
PAPER NUMBER:	III
DATE:	26 th May 2016
TIME:	9.00 am. to 12.05 p.m.

ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS: Questions carry equal marks.

1. Examine the role of religious movements in society.
2. There is no society without religion. Discuss.
3. Interactions between teachers and students play a crucial role in educational attainment. Elaborate.
4. Modern societies are witnessing a shift in family structures and function. Elaborate.
5. Poverty is 'a way of living'. Discuss with reference to two sociologists of your choice.