

JAYPEE UNIVERSITY OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, WAKNAGHAT

TEST -2 EXAMINATIONS- 2026

B.Tech-VI Semester (CSE/IT/BT/ECE/CE)

COURSE CODE (CREDITS): 24B1WHS631 (3)

MAX MARKS: 25

COURSE NAME: Indian Social Structure

COURSE INSTRUCTOR: Dr Deler Singh

MAX. TIME: 1 Hour 30 Min

*Note: (a) All questions are compulsory.*

Q. No	Question	CO	Marks
Q1	Government's initiatives to create "world-class" or "smart" cities are often critiqued for overlooking existing social inequalities. Discuss how such large-scale urban development projects often promote the marginalization of vulnerable caste groups. Give two suitable examples related to urban housing societies and slum areas in cities to support your answer.	01	05
Q2	How far has urbanization and migration from villages to cities been helpful in creating a casteless society with respect to educational and job opportunities? Also, give your opinion on caste-based discrimination amongst Indian diaspora.	02	05
Q3	The reservation system in India has its roots in the colonial era and the vision of social reformers. Briefly trace the pre and post-independence events related to reservation policy. How did these developments shape the framework for reservations that exist today?	02	05
Q4	The reservation for EWS represents a fundamental shift in India's reservation policy—from addressing historical, group-based social discrimination to addressing individual economic disadvantage. What are the potential benefits and drawbacks of moving toward income-based reservations in a country where caste and economic status remain deeply intertwined?	05	05
Q5	Dr. B.R. Ambedkar believed that the annihilation of caste required a fundamental transformation of social and religious beliefs, including the destruction of the sacred texts that sanction caste hierarchy. As a future engineer and technologist, do you believe technology and modern education can play a decisive role in ending the belief in caste? Propose two specific, actionable strategies using digital platforms or educational reforms that could actively work to dismantle caste-based prejudices in the minds of young people.	01	05