SEO001 ASSIGNMENT

SEO001: Fundamentals of Human Behaviour Assignment

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Question 1: Define of Behaviour

Behaviour refers to the way individuals or groups act in response to internal or external stimuli. It can be influenced by biological, psychological, and social factors.

Question 1a: Types of Collective Behaviour

1. Crowds: A crowd is a temporary gathering of individuals with a shared focus.

Example: Spectators at a football match cheering for their team.

2. Mobs: A highly emotional crowd engaging in violent or disruptive behaviour.

Example: Rioters vandalizing property during a protest.

3. Panics: A sudden, irrational fear that leads to frantic behaviour.

Example: People rushing out a building during a fire alarm.

4. Mass Hysteria: Widespread irrational reactions to a perceived threat, often based on fear.

Example: The "dancing plague" in medieval Europe, where groups of people danced uncontrollably.

5. Fads and Fashions: Temporary, highly popular trends in behaviour, style, or activities.

Example: The viral "Ice Bucket Challenge" for ALS awareness.

6. Social Movements: Organized efforts to bring about social change.

Example: The Civil Rights Movement advocating for racial equality.

Question 2: Definition of Socialization

Socialization is the lifelong process through which individuals learn and internalize the norms, values, behaviours, and roles necessary for participation in society.

Question 2a: Key Agents of Socialization and illustrations how each influence Individuals and Society

1. Family: Teaches basic norms, language, and values.

Influence: Shapes personality, morality, and early social skills

2. Education: Imparts knowledge, discipline, and societal norms

Influence: Develops cognitive skills, work ethics, and civic responsibility.

3. Peers: Friends and social groups influence personal choices. Influence: Affect behaviour preferences, and identity formation.

- 4. Mass Media: Television, social media, books, and the internet transmit cultural information. Influence: Shapes opinions, trends, and worldviews.
- 5. Religion: Provides moral guidance and social norms. Influence: Influences ethical decision-making and societal values.
- 6. Workplace: Teaches professional behaviour and responsibilities. Influence: Reinforces discipline, teamwork, and career aspirations.

CONCLUSION

Human behaviour is influenced by various forms of collective behaviour and socialization agents, each shaping how individuals interact within society.