

SOCIETY

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Society



MEANING OF SOCIETY

- The term society is derived from the Latin word 'socius', which means companionship or friendship.
- Two primary components of a society are its culture and its social structure.
- Society is one of the basic sociological terms. In simple sense, society is a large grouping that shares the same geographical territory, shares a common culture and social structure, and expected to abide by the some laws.

Social Interaction

- The social interaction in society are shaped by the structure of its social institutions.
- Patterns of social interaction influence nonverbal interaction as well as patterns of attraction and affiliation.
- Social interaction takes place in society within the

DEFINITIONS OF SOCIETY

Some definitions of the term “society” are given below:

- **Morris Ginsberg**, “A Society is a collection of individuals united by certain relations or mode of behavior which mark them off from others who do not enter into these relations or who differ from them in behavior”.
- **Prof. Giddings**, “society is the union itself, the organization, the sum of formal relations in which associating individuals are bound together.”

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- **G.D.M. Cole**, Society is the complex of organized associations and institutions with a community”.
- **MacIver** “ Society is a web of social relationship”.

Main Features

- Society is a system of social interaction that includes both culture and social organization.
- Includes social institutions, or established organized social behavior, and exists for a recognized purpose.
- Social structure is the patterned relationships within a society.
- Societies across the globe vary in type, determined by the complexity of their social structures, division of labor, and technologies.

CONCLUSION

Society usually refers to group of people who lives and work together or who share social norms and values. It is simply a web of social relationship. People interact in a defined territory and share a culture. Today the structure of society has been changed from hunting and gathering societies and agrarian societies to industrial society. But still we need society from birth to till death for the performance of social values norms etc.