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# TEACHING MATERIAL ON



# Sociology

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### Unit-III (1.) Social Change and Control - meaning of Social Change and Social Control?

**Ans:- Social ~~and~~ change** = Social change refers to the significant alteration of social structures, institutions, and cultural norms over time. It encompasses changes in societal values, behaviors, and relationships. Social change can be driven by various factors including technological advancements, economic shifts, political movements and cultural transformations.

**Social Control** = Social control refers to the mechanisms, strategies and institutions that societies use to regulate individual behavior and maintain social order. It involves both formal means, such as laws and regulations enforced by institutions like the police and courts, and informal means, such as social norms and peer pressure.

#### In essence :-

- social change is about how and why societies evolve
- social control is about how societies enforce conformity and manage deviance.