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First Semester M.A. Degree Examination, February 2014 Branch : Sociology (2013 Admission Onwards) SO – 2.1.4. : SOCIAL RESEARCH METHODS – I

Time: 3 Hours

Total Marks: 75

PART-A

Define or explain all the following in not more than 50 words.

(10×2=20 Marks)

- 1. Questionnaire
- 2. Experiment
- 3. Secondary data
- 4. Hypothesis
- 5. Experimental research design
- 6. Sampling
- 7. Observation
- 8. Case study method
- 9. Bibliography
- 10. Reliability.

PART-B

Answer any five questions in not more than 250 words.

(5×5=25 Marks)

- 11. Discuss the importance of social research.
- 12. Describe the relevance of theory in formulating research problems.

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13. Critically analyze the significance of Hypotheses in social science research.

- 14. What is Research Design ? Explain the different types of Research Designs. 15. Distinguish between qualitative and quantitative method.
- 16. Explain the documentary research.
- 17. What is literary research ? Explain its characteristics.
- 18. List out advantages of questionnaire method.

PART-C

Answer any two questions in not more than 1200 words.

- 19. Explain the Nature and Scope of Social Research.
- 20. Discuss the various methods of data collection with examples.

21. Bring out the various types of sampling method with examples. 22. Elucidate Major Steps of Social Research with examples.

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Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 75

PART-A

Define or explain all the following in not more than 50 words each.

(10x2=20 Marks)

- 1. Research paradigm
- 2. Basic research
- 3. Case study
- 4. Research design
- 5. Documentary research
- 6. Triangulation
- 7. Focus group discussion
- 8. Longitudinal surveys
- 9. Questionnaire
- 10. Secondary data.

PART-B

Answer any five questions in not more than 250 words each.

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- 11. Discuss the steps in research.
- 12. Bring out the relation between sociological theory and research.
- 13. What are the elements of a research problem ?
- 14. Explain data interpretation.

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- 15. Examine the qualities of a good research.
- 16. Discuss the difference between survey and experimental research.
- 17. Distinguish between dependent and independent variables with suitable examples.
- 18. Briefly explain the basic research designs.

PART-C

Answer any two questions in not more than 1200 words each.

(2×15=30 Marks)

19. What are the criteria for selecting a research problem ?

20. Compare and contrast quantitative and qualitative research methods.

- 21. What is report writing ? What are the characteristics of a good research report ?
- 22. Write an essay on survey research.

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First Semester M.A. Degree Examination, February 2016 Branch : SOCIOLOGY SO 214 : Social Research Methods – I (2013 Admn. Onwards)

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 75

PART-A

Define or explain all the following in not more than 50 words each: (10×2=20 Marks)

- 1. Social survey.
- 2. Reliability.
- 3. Critical research.
- 4. Longitudinal research.
- 5. Data interpretation.
- 6. Research process.
- 7. Hypothesis.
- 8. Bibliography.
- 9. Participant observation.
- 10. Primary data.

PART-B

Answer any five questions in not more than 250 words each :

(5×5=25 Marks)

- 11. Explain the criteria of a good research report.
- 12. What is literature review ?

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- 13. Briefly explain the types of validity.
- 14. What is sampling ? Explain probability sampling.
- 15. Examine the relation between theory and research.
- 16. Explain research as a cyclical process.
- 17. What is positivism in research ?
- 18. Distinguish between quantitative research and qualitative research. Substantiate your answer with suitable examples.

PART-C

Answer any two questions in not more than 1200 words each : (2×15=30 Marks)

- 19. Explain the Paradigms of research bringing out the differences between them.
- 20. Explain the significance of validity, reliability and representativeness in research with suitable examples.
- 21. Write an essay on the basic research designs. Illustrate your answer with suitable examples.
- 22. Distinguish between primary and secondary data and explain the advantages and disadvantages of each.

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First Semester M.A. Degree Examination, January 2017 Branch : SOCIOLOGY SO 2.1.4. : Social Research Methods – I (2013 Admission Onwards)

Time: 3 Hours

Total Marks: 75

PART-A

Define or explain all the following in not more than 50 words : (10×2=20 Marks)

- 1. Basic Research.
- 2. Field data.
- 3. Descriptive Design.
- 4. Survey Method.
- 5. Purposive sampling.
- 6. Review of Literature.
- 7. Triangulation.
- 8. Longitudinal.
- 9. Report writing.
- 10. Focus group.

PART-B

Answer any five questions in not more than 250 words :

(5×5=25 Marks)

11. Explain the scope and uses of social research.

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- 12. Explicate sources of primary and secondary data.
- 13. List out the types of sampling.
- 14. Discuss the various types of research design with suitable examples.
- 15. Explain the relationship between theory and research.
- 16. Distinguish between interview schedule and questionnaire.
- 17. Discuss the relevance of observation method in social research.
- 18. Write a note on the significance of Hypotheses in social science research.

PART-C

Answer any two questions in not more than 1200 words :

(2×15=30 Marks)

- 19. Describe the various types of non-probability sampling.
- 20. Elucidate the report writing with example.
- 21. Analyse the relationship between theory and research.
- 22. Distinguish between Census and Sample Survey.

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First Semester M.A. Degree Examination, May 2018 Branch : Sociology SO 214 – SOCIAL RESEARCH METHODS – I (2013 Admission Onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 75

PART – A

Define or explain all the following in not more than 50 words.

1. Primary Data.

2. Questionnaire.

3. Reliability.

4. Basic research.

5. Literature review.

6. Operational definition.

7. Data analysis.

8. Descriptive Research.

9. Triangulation.

10. Bibliography.

(10×2=20 Marks)

PART - B

Answer any five questions in not more than 250 words.

11. Write a short note on Documentary Research.

12. Differentiate between Quantitative and Qualitative Research.

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13. What are the steps in report writing ?

14. Examine the different criteria of research.

15. Examine the relation between theory and research.

- 16. What is Focused Group Discussion?
- 17. What are the criteria of a good research ?
- 18. Write a short note on sample survey as a method of social research.

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PART-C

Answer any two questions in not more than 1200 words each.

19. Explain the different steps of social research.

- 20. Discuss the basic research designs in sociology.
- 21. Define and explain the different paradigms of social research.
- 22. List out and explain the different types of hypotheses.

(2×15=30 Marks)