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Second Semester M.A. Degree Examination, August 2015

Branch : Sociology

(2013 Admission Onwards)

SO 223 : SOCIAL RESEARCH METHODS – II

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 75

PART – A

Answer **all** questions in **not more than 50 words**. **Each** question carries **2 marks**.

(10×2 = 20 Marks)

1. Quantitative research.
2. Research strategy.
3. Concept.
4. Replication.
5. Snow-ball sampling.
6. Questionnaire.
7. Ethnography.
8. Narrative research.
9. Inductive method.
10. Thematic analysis.

PART – B

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

(5×5= 25 Marks)

State the major issues of epistemology.

What is operationalisation ? Explain.



13. Highlight the problem of measurement in quantitative research.
14. What are the major steps of quantitative research ? Explain.
15. Enumerate the salient features of narrative research.
16. Briefly discuss the advantages of case study method.
17. Enumerate the basic operations in qualitative research.
18. What is Triangulation ? Explain.

PART – C

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

19. Distinguish between qualitative and quantitative research. Also discuss the issue of reliability and validity of both qualitative and quantitative research strategies.
 20. To what extent secondary sources of data are reliable for quantitative research ? Discuss.
 21. Is phenomenology a qualitative research design ? Discuss.
 22. Critically examine the general strategies of analytic induction and grounded theory.
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