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## Second Semester M.A. Degree Examination, September 2014 Branch: Sociology (2013 Admission) SO 223 – SOCIAL RESEARCH METHODS – II

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 75

PART - A

(10×2=20 Marks)

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

- 1. Qualitative research.
- 2. Epistemology.
- 3. Operationalisation.
- 4. Generalisation.
- 5. Probability Sampling.
- 6. Secondary data.
- 7. Phenomenology.
- 8. Case Study.
- 9. Grounded theory.
- 10. Triangulation.

PART-B

(5×5=25 Marks)

Answer any five questions in not more than 250 words.

- 11. Distinguish between quantitative and qualitative research.
- 12. Is reliability and validity possible in qualitative research? Explain.



- 13. Enumerate the issues of causality generalisation.
- 14. Distinguish between questionnaire and interview method.
- 15. Explain the advantages of structural interviews.
- 16. Enumerate the salient features of participant observation.
- 17. What is thematic analysis? Explain.
- 18. Highlight the major criticisms of qualitative research.

PART-C

(2×15=30 Marks)

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

- 19. Bring out the problems of conceptualisation and operationalisation in social research.
- 20. Write an essay on quantitative survey design.
- 21. Critically evaluate the ethnographic research.
- 22. Examine the various strategies of analytic induction in qualitative data analysis.