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First Semester M.A. Degree Examination, February 2011 (New Scheme – 2008 Admn.) SO 214 – SOCIAL RESEARCH

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 75

PART - A

 $(10 \times 1.5 = 15 \text{ Marks})$

Answer all questions. Each answer is to be approximately half a page.

Define the following:

- 1. Positivism.
- 2. Deductive method.
- 3. Experimental Design.
- 4. Social survey.
- 5. Focus group discussion.
- 6. Interview guide.
- 7. Quota sampling.
- 8. Quantitative Research.
- 9. Validity.
- 10. Focus group.

PART - B

 $(2\times6=12 \text{ Marks})$

Answer two questions from any two different sets in not more than 600 words each.

11. Describe the features of critical research.

OR

Discuss the reciprocal relationship between theory and research.

12. Explain the significance of Action research.

OR

List out the sources of selection of research problem.

13. Elucidate the special points to be considered in respect of the questionnaire construction.

OR

Examine the use of secondary sources in social research.

14. Discuss the merits and demerits of observation method.

OR

Write a short note on content analysis.

PART - C

 $(2\times24=48 \text{ Marks})$

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

- 15. Give a brief outline of the scientific procedure in social research.
- 16. Examine the factors to be taken into consideration in the formulation of research problem.
- 17. Discuss the types of sampling techniques.
- 18. Suggest the steps to be followed in preparing a research report.