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**FIRST SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE  
EXAMINATION, JANUARY 2003**

Sociology ✓

SO. 214—SOCIAL RESEARCH

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

*Answer any five questions.*

*Each question carries 15 marks.*

*Each answer should be limited to 1,000 words.*

1. Define scientific method and explain its importance in sociological research.
2. What is a research process ? Explain the steps to be followed in scientific social research.
3. What is Diagnostic research ? Examine its importance in social research.
4. What do you understand by hypothesis ? Describe various types and their uses in social research.
5. What is a Random sample ? Explain random sampling technique with an illustration. ✓
6. Describe the various methods used in collecting primary data.
7. How Thurston scale is constructed and discuss the purpose for which the scale is used ?
8. What is Report writing ? How would you proceed in writing a Research Report ?

(5 × 15 = 75 marks)