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## First Semester M.A. Degree Examination, February 2019 SOCIOLOGY

SO 214 : Social Research Methods – I (2013 – 17 Admissions)

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 75

PART – A (10×2=20 Marks)

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

- 1. Exploratory research.
- 2. Focus group discussion.
- 3. Research questions.
- 4. Action research.
- 5. Variable.
- 6. Reference.
- 7. Positivism.
- 8. Longitudinal design.
- 9. Review of literature.
- 10. Sample survey.

PART – B (5×5=25 Marks)

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

- 11. Explain the various steps involved in formulating a research problems.
- 12. Analyse various Paradigms of research.
- 13. Differentiate between primary and secondary data.
- 14. What are the various ways by which reliability and validity can be established?

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- 15. Examine the classification of research on the basis of methodology.
- 16. Differentiate between probability sampling and non-probability sampling.
- 17. Discuss the reciprocal relationship between sociological theory and research.
- 18. Write a short note on analysis and interpretation of data.

PART – C (2×15=30 Marks)

Answer any two questions in not more than 1200 words.

- 19. "Research is a systematic process". Justify this argument by explaining the standardized research procedure.
- 20. Write an essay on report writing in social research.
- 21. Prepare a research proposal on any one social problem/phenomena.
- 22. Discuss various types of research on the basis of outcome with suitable examples.

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