

B. A. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION OCTOBER 2018**SEMESTER – 3: SOCIOLOGY (CORE COURSE)****COURSE: 15U3CRSOC4, SOCIAL RESEARCH METHODS**

(For Regular - 2017 Admission and Supplementary / Improvement 2016 & 2015 Admissions)

Time: Three Hours

Max. Marks: 75

PART - A

Answer **all** questions in one word or a sentence. Each question carries 1mark.

1. Explain the meaning of social research.
2. What is a Variable?
3. Define Research Design.
4. What is case study method?
5. Define concept?
6. What is a questionnaire?
7. What is coding?
8. What is census survey?
9. Define Hypothesis.
10. What are the tools used for data collection? (1 x 10 = 10)

PART – B

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

11. Examine the purpose of social research
12. Differentiate between quantitative and qualitative research
13. Differentiate between primary data and secondary data
14. Explain the functions of hypothesis
15. Explain the process of interpretation of data
16. Mention the essentials of a good research design
17. Differentiate between probability and non-probability sampling
18. Explain the purpose of sampling in research.
19. State how case study and survey methods are different from each other
20. Explain the functions of research in social sciences (2 x 8 = 16)

PART – C

Answer any **five** of the following questions in 200 words each. Each question carries 5 marks.

21. Explain the different steps in the process of selection and formulation of problem
22. Describe the different types of variables used in research

23. Differentiate between descriptive and exploratory research design
24. What is questionnaire and explain the different types of questionnaire.
25. Explain the different steps involved in report writing
26. What is literature review and explain the different sources of literature

(5 x 5 = 25)

PART – D

(Answer any **two** of the following questions in 500 words each. Each question carries 12 marks)

27. Explain how analysis and interpretation of data is done.
28. Write an essay on research designs used in social research.
29. Describe the major types of sampling in social science research.
30. What are the features, functions, advantages and disadvantages of social research?

(12 x 2 =24)
