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M. A. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - OCTOBER 2019 SEMESTER 3 : SOCIOLOGY

COURSE : 16P3SOCT12 : APPLICATION OF RESEARCH SKILLS

(For Regular - 2018 Admission and Supplementary - 2016/2017 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Max. Marks: 75

Section A Answer any 8 (2 marks each)

- 1. Explain Intervening variable with examples.
- 2. What is meant by Electronic data?
- 3. Define Social research.
- 4. Describe an exploratory research design.
- 5. Explain the importance of action research.
- 6. Differentiate between Open ended and closed questions.
- 7. Write a short note on content analysis.
- 8. Explain Bias in research.
- 9. Explain the importance of tabulation
- 10. Explain the significance of reference writing
- 11. What is a technical report?
- 12. Explain the graphic presentations used in a report.

 $(2 \times 8 = 16)$

Section B Answer any 7 (5 marks each)

- 13. Compare the differences between scientific research and normative research?
- 14. What is an alternative hypothesis?
- 15. Bring out 5 objectives for the topic "The problems of women working in I.T sector"
- 16. Write a description on Thurston's scale
- 17. State the disadvantages of questionnaire as a tool of research
- 18. Why are experimental studies rather rare in sociology?
- 19. What is meant by infatuation in research? What are the measures to avoid it?
- 20. Prepare a diagrammatic representation using single variant table with the data required
- 21. What are the qualities of a good research report?
- 22. Point out the different techniques for writing a report for qualitative study

(5 x 7 = 35)

Section C Answer any 2 (12 marks each)

- 23. Identify the major typologies of Hypothesis. State how each of them are different in its formulation and application
- 24. What is meant by Scaling? Identify the major scaling techniques in social research
- 25. Bias in any step of research will lead to many negative repercussions. What are they?
- 26. Discuss in detail the steps that a researcher need to follow to formulate a good research report

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