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M. A. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - OCT 2020 : FEBRUARY 2021 SEMESTER 1 : SOCIOLOGY

COURSE: 15P1SOCT04: SOCIAL RESEARCH METHODS

(For Regular - 2020 Admission and Supplementary - 2015/2016/2017/2018/2019 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours Max. Marks: 75

PART A

Answer any 8 (2 marks each)

- 1. Define cohort study
- 2. What is meant by Research Ethics?
- 3. What is Exploratory research?
- 4. Define Working hypothesis
- 5. What is meant by Statistical hypothesis?
- 6. What are Variables in research?
- 7. Name the major Projective Techniques used in research
- 8. Distinguish between Primary and Secondary data
- 9. Define Social survey
- 10. What is Face validity in research?
- 11. Define reliability and validity
- 12. Internal consistency reliability

 $(2 \times 8 = 16)$

PART B

Answer any 7 (5 marks each)

- 13. Social research is applicable to any area of life in a society. Explain
- 14. Define longitudinal research design and describe its types and significance in Social Research
- 15. What are the various points to be kept in mind while selecting and formulating a research problem?
- 16. Explain the various characteristics of a good hypothesis
- 17. Explain the concept of sampling; highlight the need of sampling in a good research
- 18. Differentiate between questionnaire and schedule
- 19. Distinguish between primary and secondary data. Write their advantages and disadvantages
- 20. Describe sociometry and highlight its importance in social research
- 21. Explain various scales of measurements? Discuss their advantages and disadvantages
- 22. Define ordinal scale? Explain how it is distinguished from nominal scale

 $(5 \times 7 = 35)$

PART C

Answer any 2 (12 marks each)

- 23. Briefly describe the different steps in a research process
- 24. Discuss various types of sampling with relevant examples
- 25. Define qualitative research. What are the major qualitative research methods used in social science?
- 26. What is the meaning of measurement in research? Distinguish between different levels of measurement with suitable examples

 $(12 \times 2 = 24)$