M. A. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - OCT/NOV 2020: JAN 2021
SEMESTER 3 : SOCIOLOGY
COURSE : **15P3SOCT12 : APPLICATION OF RESEARCH SKILLS**
(For Regular - 2019 Admission and Supplementary - 2015/2016/2017/2018 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours   Max. Marks: 75

PART A
Answer any 8 (2 marks each)

1.   Explain the role of Null Hypothesis.
2.   What is an Independent variable?
3.   What is Operational definition? Give examples.
4.   Explain universe of study with examples.
5.   What do you mean by sample design?
6.   Explain Likhert scale.
7.   Write a short note on content analysis.
8.   Describe the merits of online research
9.   Explain data analysis.
10. What do you understant by citation?
11. Write a short note on documentation in the context of research report.
12. Which are the methods of diagrammatic representation?

(2 x 8 = 16)

PART B
Answer any 7 (5 marks each)

13. What are the difficulties in formulating a good research hypothesis?
14. Explain how folk wisdom influences hypothesis formulation
15. Formulate a topic for research on the theme "social welfare " and prepare a synopsis for it
16. What is an interview guide? State it's advantages in data collection
17. What are the advantages and disadvantages of open ended questions?
18. Prepare a research design on the topic "the effects of Alcoholism among the youth
19. Describe the advantages and disadvantages of online research
20. Compare and contrast between Qualitative and Quantitative data
21. A biased research report may lead to distractions among people which may even lead to violence and atrocities. Substantiate your answer with examples
22. Prepare the Acknowledgement, Preface and content pages of an assumed research report

(5 x 7 = 35)

PART C
Answer any 2 (12 marks each)

23. Identify a research topic which is socially relevant and prepare a research proposal to be submitted to an academic body / institution
24. What is research design? Describe its advantages in conducting a scientific research
25. A scientifically devised questionnaire requires careful preparation. Explain
26. Computer aided statistical analysis of data has diverse feasibility and advantages. What are they?

(12 x 2 = 24)