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**MA 2nd Semester Exam., 2016**

SOCIOLOGY

( Code : MSO05 )

**Research Methodology**

*Full Marks* : 80

*Time* : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions*

**1.** Answer any *five* from the following questions (each in around *50* words) : 2×5=10

*(a)* What is descriptive research?

*(b)* What is hermeneutics?

*(c)* Why is research design important?

*(d)* What do you understand by null hypothesis?

*(e)* Mention any two advantages of snow-ball sampling.

*(f)* Distinguish between questionnaire and schedule.

**2.** Answer any *three* from the following questions (each in around *150* words) : 4×3=12

*(a)* Distinguish between subjectivity and objectivity.

*(b)* Explain post-modernism.

*(c)* Differentiate between probability sampling and non-probability sampling.

*(d)* Define triangulation. Describe its types.

**3.** Answer any *three* from the following questions (each in around *250* words) : 6×3=18

*(a)* Discuss the different types of research.

*(b)* Explain the important features of a measuring scale.

*(c)* Is qualitative research based on subjectivity alone?

*(d)* How is cross-sectional research different from longitudinal research?





**4.** Answer any *four* from the following questions (each in around *500* words) : 10×4=40

*(a)* Discuss the shift from structuralism to post-structuralism.

*(b)* Explain the different steps involved in research.

*(c)* Select any research problem and explain the steps that you would take to conduct the research.

*(d)* What is simple random sampling? Discuss its advantages and disadvantages.

*(e)* What is an interview? Explain its types.

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