

2008

M.A.

2nd Semester Examination

SOCIOLOGY

(METHODS OF SOCIAL RESEARCH)

PAPER—SOC-1203

Full Marks : 40

Time : 2 Hours

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate full marks.*

*Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.*

*Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.*

**Group-A**

(20 marks)

1. Answer any *one* of the following : 1×10
  - (a) Define social research. What are the purposes of social research ? 4+6
  - (b) Discuss the positivist method of inquiry. 10
2. Answer any *two* of the following : 5×2
  - (a) Point out the differences between Pure and Applied Research.
  - (b) Discuss the relationship between 'Fact' and 'Theory'.
  - (c) What do you mean by 'concept' in social research ?

(Turn Over)

**Group-B**

(20 marks)

3. Answer any *one* of the following : 1×10
- (a) Define 'Research Design'. What are the steps followed in research design ? 2+8
- (b) What is Focus Group Discussion (FGD) ? What are the advantages and disadvantages of FGD method ? 2+8
4. Answer any *two* of the following : 5×2
- (a) What is meant by Participant Observation ?
- (b) Explain Bogurdas Scale.
- (c) What are the major limitations of questionnaire method ?
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