M.A. 3rd Semester Examination, 2022 SOCIOLOGY

PAPER - SOC-303

Full Marks: 50

Time: 2 hours

The figures in the right hand margin indicate marks

- A. Answer any four questions of the following: 2×4
 - 1. What is Kuhn's 'Paradigm shift'?
 - 2. Name two theorists, who talked about 'Verstehen'.
 - 3. What is 'social action'?
 - 4. What is 'Semiotics'?
 - 5. What is 'Conversational analysis'?
 - 6. What is 'Oral history'?

- **B.** Answer any four questions of the following: 4×4
 - 7. How 'Interpretivism' has developed?
 - 8. What are the basic assumptions' of interviews?
 - 9. Why 'Visual Sociology' is becoming prominent area of study?
 - 10. Distinguish between a questionnaire and an interview guide.
 - 11. When do we prefer to do 'Focus Group Interviews' (FDGs)?
 - 12. What is positivistic/empiricist approach in social sciences?
- C. Answer any two questions of the following: 8×2
 - 13. Distinguish between historical trends of qualitative research in Germany and the US.

- 14. Distinguish between 'structured and unstructured' interview schedule.
- 15. Describe 'Ethnography' and its elements.
- 16. Debate between pros and cons between quantitative and qualitative methods.

[Internal Assessment - 10 Marks]