

2025

M.A. 1st Semester Examination
SOCIOLOGY

Paper : SOCC403X0

(Research Methodology and Ethics)

Full Marks : 50

Time : Two Hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

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

Group - A

Answer any *two* questions : 10×2=20

1. Discuss the significances of theory, epistemology and ontology in selecting strategies for quantitative and qualitative research.
2. Explain reliability, replication and validity as criteria for evaluation of social research.
3. Historically place the development of qualitative research in Germany and the USA.
4. How Interpretivism opposes the scientific methods/positivism? — Explain.

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Group - B

Answer any *four* questions : 5×4=20

5. What do you mean by Empiricism?
6. What are Research Questions? Describe.
7. What are systematic review and narrative review?
8. What are the ethical principles in social inquiry that a researcher need to follow?
9. How is qualitative data type different from quantitative data type?
10. What is an interview guide? How it is different from interview schedule? 2+3

Internal Assessment : 10 marks
