

M.A. 3rd Semester Examination, 2019

POLITICAL SCIENCE

(Research Methodology)

PAPER — PLS-305

Full Marks : 50

Time : 2 hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks

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

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary

GROUP — A

1. Answer any *two* of the following : 2 × 2
- (a) What is meant by 'methodology' ?
- (b) Define Positivism.

(Turn Over)

(c) Name any two proponents of Behaviourism in Political Science.

(d) What do you mean by the term 'empirical' ?

2. Answer any *two* of the following : 4 × 2

(a) Identify the basic features of scientific knowledge.

(b) Point out the importance of studying Research Methodology.

(c) Define Theory.

(d) What do you understand by 'value-free' study of social science ?

3. Answer any *one* of the following : 8 × 1

(a) Examine the salient features of the Empirical Approach in social science research.

(b) Analyse the interrelationship between science and theory.

GROUP – B

4. Answer any *two* of the following : 2 × 2

(a) What is meant by variables ?

(b) Point out two characteristics of a good Research Design.

(c) What do you mean by '*Verstehen*' ?

(d) What is ethics ?

5. Answer any *two* of the following : 4 × 2

(a) Examine the role of Hypothesis in Social Science Research.

(b) How would you classify variables ?

(c) Point out the advantages of participant observation in Social Science Research.

(d) Write a brief note on ethical issues in Social Science Research.

6. Answer any *one* of the following : 8 × 1

- (a) Write a note on the importance of the clarity of concept in Social Science Research.
- (b) Write a brief note on Research Design with suitable examples.

[*Internal Assessment* : 10 Marks]
