

M.A. 1st Semester Examination, 2019

SOCIOLOGY

PAPER – SOC-103

Full Marks : 50

Time : 2 hours

Answer **all** questions

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

Answer any **four** questions : 2 × 4

1. What was *Durkheim's* method of studying social reality ?

2. What is hermeneutics ?
3. What was Max Weber's perspective of understanding social reality ?
4. What is empiricism ?
5. What are the different types of Research designs ?
6. What are the modes of eliciting information in a survey ?
7. What are the strengths and weaknesses of close ended and open ended questions ?
8. What is telephonic interview ?

GROUP-B

Answer any **four** questions : 4 × 4

9. What do you mean by philosophy of the social sciences ?

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10. Distinguish following Kaplan, the three classes of things that scientists measure.
11. What do you understand by operationalization ?
12. What are variables and attributes ?
13. Define validity and reliability.
14. What is research design ?
15. What are the creative and scientific aspects of survey ?
16. What are the factors affecting a research design ?

GROUP-C

Answer any two questions : 8 × 2

17. Critically discuss the concept of epistemology and ontology as foundations of social sciences.

18. Explain with example the process of conceptualization in research.
19. What are the general rules and format of questionnaire construction ?
20. How would a researcher turn a topic to a researchable problem ?

[*Internal Assessment*—05 Marks]
