

M.A. 2nd Semester Examination, 2011

SOCIOLOGY

(Methods of Social Research)

PAPER—SOC-203

Full Marks : 40

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

[Marks : 20]

1. Answer any *one* of the following : 10 × 1
- (a) Discuss after Blummer, the methodology used in symbolic interactionism.

(b) Define social research. What are the purposes of social research.

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

(a) How fact contributes to theory ? Discuss.

(b) What are the methods used by the positivists ?

(c) Discuss the relationship between pure and applied research.

GROUP – B

[Marks : 20]

3. Answer any *one* of the following : 10 × 1

(a) Distinguish between probability and non-probability sampling. State the advantages and limitations of Simple Random Sampling.

(b) Define open-ended and closed-ended questions. Discuss the important guidelines for the construction of a questionnaire.

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

(a) What are the criteria of good measurement ?

(b) Discuss the advantages of interview method of data collection.

(c) Write a short note on documentary research.
