

2023

M.A.

4th Semester Examination

SOCIOLOGY

PAPER : SOC-403

(Developing Research Skills)

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.

*Answer from **all** the Groups as directed.*

GROUP—A

Answer *any* **four** questions from the following :

2×4=8

1. What is social research?

2. What is variable?
3. Define hypothesis.
4. What is a mail questionnaire?
5. What do you mean by pretesting a survey?
6. What for Merton, are the components of formulation of a problem for social research?

GROUP—B

Answer *any four* questions from the following :

4×4=16

7. Examine the importance and procedure of literature review in social research.
8. What are the characteristics of usable hypotheses?

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9. What do you mean by operational definition?
10. What are the major advantages of the interview method of data collection?
11. Define pilot survey. What are its important features?
12. What are control variables?

GROUP—C

Answer *any two* questions from the following :

8×2=16

13. Discuss the major issues in formulating a research problem (topic).
14. Define sampling. What are its major types?
15. Write a brief note on research design.

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- 16.** Make a distinction between the dependent variable and independent variable.

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