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MASTER'S DEGREE (C.S.S) EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2024 2024 ADMISSIONS REGULAR

SEMESTER I - CORE COURSE SOCIOLOGY

SO1C05TM20 - Social Research Methodology

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Weight: 30

Part A

I. Answer any Eight questions. Each question carries 1 weight

(8x1=8)

- 1. Explain critical realism.
- 2. Explain constructivism.
- 3. Explain Positivism.
- 4. What is meant by Case Study?
- 5. What is meant by Deductive Reasoning?
- 6. Explain Social Science Research?
- 7. What is snowball sampling?
- 8. Explain Simple Random Sampling?
- 9. Differentiate between before after experiment and after only experiment.
- 10. Explain the major citation styles used in academic writing.

Part B

II. Answer any Six questions. Each question carries 2 weight

(6x2=12)

- 11. Explain the features of critical paradigm.
- 12. Critically evaluate the Positive philosophy of Comte.
- 13. Discuss the relation between Research and Theory.
- 14. Differentiate the Census study and Sample survey. Find out its relative benefits.
- 15. Discuss different Experimental Research designs.
- 16. Explain the good characteristics of a good sample.
- 17. Which are the different types of variables in research. Formulate 4 hypotheses relevant to your selected research question. Identify the different variables in each of these hypotheses.
- 18. Write a short note on the importance of analysis and interpretation in the research process.

Part C

III. Answer any Two questions. Each question carries 5 weight

(2x5=10)

- 19. Explain the important paradigms used in social research.
- 20. Discuss the importance of Ethics in research. How will you ensure the protection of participants?
- 21. What do you mean by sampling? Explain the different sampling methods used in research.
- 22. Explain the uses of Computer in Social Science Research.