B. A. DEGREE (C.B.C.S.S.) EXAMINATION, OCTOBER 2018
(2017 Admissions Regular, 2016 Admissions Supplementary/Improvement & 2015 Admissions Supplementary)
SEMESTER III - CORE COURSE (SOCIOLOGY)
SO3B03B – SOCIAL RESEARCH METHODS

Time: Three Hours   Maximum Marks: 80

PART A

I.   Answer all questions. Each question carries 1 mark

1.   A research undertaken only for the sake of knowledge
2.   The sampling method which does not give a chance of selection to each population element
3.   What is the difference between natural science research and social science research?
4.   Define observation
5.   What is Research Design?
6.   What is Stratified Random Sampling?

(6x1=6)

PART B

II. Answer any seven questions. Each question carries 2 marks

7.   Differentiate between induction and deduction.
8.   What are the different methods to collect Primary Data?
9.   Define Interview and its characteristics
10. What is objectivity?
11. Write down the principles of Table construction
12. Write the criteria for the formulation of a Research problem
13. What is Non- Probability Sampling?
14. What is the importance of a Research design?
15. What is a questionnaire?
16. What are the different types of reports?

(7x2=14)

PART C

III. Answer any five questions. Each question carries 6 marks

17. Discuss the difference between Primary Data and Secondary Data
18. Bring out the differences between Basic, Applied and Action Research.
19. Describe Non-Probability sampling Methods.

20. Examine the need for literature survey in Social Research
21. Explain the methods of Secondary data collection
22. Describe the tabulation of Data.
23. Explain Observation as a method of Data Collection
24. Explain the advantages and limitations of sampling

(5x6=30)

PART D

IV. Answer any two questions. Each question carries 15 marks

25. Discuss the steps in Report writing and the types of reports.
26. Explain the types of Research and their importance.
27. Describe the tools of data collection in Social Research
28. Elaborate on the types of Research Design

(2x15=30)