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B.A DEGREE (C.B.C.S.S) EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2014

B.A HISTORY- FIRST SEMESTER

HIS1MPSS-CORE COURSE-METHODOLOGY AND PERSPECTIVES IN SOCIAL SCIENCES

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum: 80 marks

Part A

Answer all questions in one sentence each. Each question carries 1 mark.

1. Social Science
2. Primary source
3. Humanities
4. Functionalism
5. Geography
6. Objectivity
7. M.N Srinivas
8. Concept
9. Nuclear family
10. Class

(10x1=10)

Part B

Answer any eight questions of the following in not more than fifty words each.

Each question carries 2 marks.

11. Differentiate Social Science from Physical Sciences.
12. Give an account of Anthropology as a branch of social science.
13. Explain the relevance of Social Sciences.
14. Explain the following concepts: Empiricism, Positivism and Structuralism.
15. List the various approaches of Sociologists.
16. Explain the Sample survey method.
17. What is the basis of scientific method?

18. Explain the limits of objectivity.
19. Describe the biological basics of society and culture.
20. What are social facts?
21. What is gender? How is it different from sex?
22. Explain the role of Sanskritisation in bringing changes in caste system.

(8x2=16)

Part C

Answer any six questions of the following in not more than 200 words each.
Each question carries 4 marks.

23. Explain the emergence of Social Sciences.
24. Briefly discuss the basic epistemology of social sciences.
25. Discuss the most commonly used research methods in Social Science.
26. Explain the interdisciplinary approach in Social Science.
27. What are the ethical issues in social sciences?
28. Describe Max Weber's contribution to the methodology of social sciences.
29. Write a note on the status of women in India.
30. What are the features of a caste based society?
31. Discuss the impact of industrialization on the Indian family.

(6x4=24)

Part D

Answer any two questions of the following in not more than 500 words each.
Each question carries 15 marks.

32. Explain the interdependence between various branches of social sciences.
33. Discuss the steps involved in the scientific method of Research.
34. Assess the contributions of Emile Durkheim in the study of society.
35. Briefly discuss the importance of caste, class, community, gender and family in understanding the structure of Indian society.

(2x15=30)