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(For candidates admitted during the academic year 2008-09)

SUBJECT CODE: SC/MC/SR34

B. A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2009

BRANCH III – SOCIOLOGY

THIRD SEMESTER

COURSE : MAJOR – CORE  
PAPER : SOCIAL RESEARCH  
TIME : 3 HOURS

MAX.MARKS:100

SECTION – A

ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER NOT TO EXCEED 50 WORDS.

(10X2=20)

1. Define Social research.
2. What is empiricism?
3. Distinguish between discrete and continuous variables.
4. What is the difference between a schedule and a questionnaire?
5. How is a sample different from a population?
6. Differentiate between primary and secondary data.
7. Define null hypothesis.
8. Mention the sources of a research problem.
9. What is the survey method?
10. Mention the types of research reports.

SECTION – B

ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER NOT TO EXCEED 250 WORDS.

(5X8=40)

11. What are the uses of social research?
12. Discuss the various factors which help in selecting a research problem.
13. What are the different types of hypothesis?
14. Explain the probability sampling techniques.
15. What are the various methods of collecting primary data?
16. Examine the relationship between quantitative and qualitative variables.
17. Discuss case study as a method of data collection.
18. What is the role of computers in social research?

SECTION – C

ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER NOT TO EXCEED 1000 WORDS.

(2X20=40)

19. Discuss research as a process. What are the various steps involved in conducting research?
20. What is the role of review of literature in research?
21. Discuss the various types of questionnaires. What are the points to be considered in drafting a questionnaire?
22. Discuss the characteristics of a good report.

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