STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI – 86 (For candidates admitted during the academic year 2009 –2010)

SUBJECT CODE: SW/PC/RS24

M.S.W. DEGREE EXAMINATION APRIL 2011 SOCIAL WORK SECOND SEMESTER

COURSE : CORE

PAPER : SOCIAL WORK RESEARCH TIME : 3 HOURS

SECTION – A

MAX. MARKS: 100

ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER NOT TO EXCEED 50 WORDS: (10x2=20)

- 1. Mention the difference between social research and social work research.
- 2. State any two ethical principles in social work research.
- 3. What is a dependent variable?
- 4. What is Type I error?
- 5. Define exploratory research design.
- 6. What is sampling error?
- 7. What is a key-informant interview?
- 8. Mention any two assumptions of qualitative research.
- 9. What is split-half reliability?
- 10. What is meant by coding?

SECTION – B

ANSWER ANY FOUR QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER NOT TO EXCEED 600 WORDS: (4x10=40)

- 11. What are the differences between quantitative and qualitative research?
- 12. Explain the types of hypothesis with examples.
- 13. Write notes on action and participatory research designs.
- 14. What are the advantages of using a focus group discussion for data collection? Give the guidelines to be followed for a FGD.
- 15. Define validity in research and explain the various types of validity with examples.
- 16. What are the elements of a research proposal?

SECTION – C

ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER NOT TO EXCEED 1200 WORDS: (2x20=40)

- 17. Explain any four types of research designs used in social work research with appropriate examples.
- 18. Discuss the various types of probability sampling methods used in social work research and indicate the situations in which each method can be used.
- 19. Construct an interview schedule with 30 questions for a study on women in selfhelp groups.
- 20. Give examples of a simple frequency table, cross table, bar chart and a pie diagram and explain the purpose of each type of data presentation.
