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**Ph.D. ENTRANCE EXAMINATION 2023**

**FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCE**

**SOCIOLOGY**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 100

**Instructions :**

- 1) Answer **any ten** questions each from Section **A** and Section **B**.
- 2) Each question carries **5** marks.
- 3) No additional Answer sheets will be provided.
- 4) Candidates should clearly indicate the section, Question number in the answer booklet.

**Section – A**

**Research Methodology**

- I. Answer any **ten** questions. Each question carries **5** marks.
1. Explain the nature and objectives of social research.
  2. Distinguish between positivist and interpretive paradigms of research.
  3. Compare and contrast between quantitative and qualitative research.
  4. What are the characteristics of Applied Research?
  5. Assess the comparative merits and limitations of probability and non-probability sampling methods.
  6. How is case study used as a tool of data collection?

7. Present the nature of Experimental Research with an illustration.
8. Identify the essential components of a research report.
9. Examine the idea of reliability and validity in quantitative research.
10. What are the issues related to generalization and replication in quantitative research?
11. Explain the nature of cross-sectional and longitudinal research designs.
12. How is a questionnaire prepared and administered for data collection?
13. What are the major preoccupations in qualitative research?
14. Explain the utility of participant observation in ethnography.
15. How triangulation as a research strategy is helpful to enhance validity and credibility of research findings?

**(10 × 5 = 50 Marks)**

### **Section – B**

#### **Sociology**

- II. Answer any **ten** questions not exceeding 600 words. Each question carries 5 marks.
1. Examine the socio-political background regarding the emergence of sociology.
  2. Explain Karl Marx's theory of class and class struggle.
  3. How Emile Durkheim presented suicide as a social fact?
  4. Explain the theory of social stratification proposed by Max Weber.
  5. Describe the subaltern perspective of B. R. Ambedkar on Indian society.
  6. What is Public Sociology?
  7. How R. K. Merton explained his theory of deviance?

8. Explain Erving Goffman's dramaturgical view of social life.
9. Describe the world system theory of Immanuel Wallerstein.
10. Narrate the causes and consequences of cultural homogenization through globalization.
11. Explain Habermas' theory of Communicative Action.
12. What are the characteristics of Risk Society according to Ulrich Beck?
13. Present the Life Course perspective on ageing.
14. Explain the objectives and need of urban planning.
15. Assess the role of *Panchayathi Raj* Institutions in rural development.

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