2022

1st Semester Examination SOCIOLOGY

Paper: SOC 103

(Research Method-I)

Full Marks: 40 Time: Two Hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks. Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

Group - A

Answer any *four* of the following questions: 5

 $5 \times 4 = 20$

- 1. What are the characteristics of usable hypotheses?
- 2. Write some merits and demerits of the inductive method.
- 3. Define sampling frame. How far does a stratified random sample offer greater precision than a simple random sample? Illustrate with an example.
- 4. Define the term 'validity' in research. Distinguish between content validity and criterion-related validity with example.

- 5. What are the various types of questions that can be used in a survey questionnaire? Give one example of each.
 - 6. Write a short note on reliability and its types.

Group - B

Answer any *two* of the following questions: $10 \times 2 = 20$

- 7. Do you think in the process of production of knowledge, epistemological and ontological factors interact? Give reasons for you answer.
- 8. Review the relationship between theory and research as an alternation between deduction and induction. Illustrate with two relevant examples.
- 9. With the help of a particular research topic, elucidate four types of non-probability samples that can be drawn. Give two limitations of using non-probability sampling.
- 10. What challenges the research subjects likely to face during a research activity? Highlight the ethical principles which can guide social researchers.