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SOCIOLOGY

(Core)

Paper : C-12

(Sociological Research Methods—I)

Full Marks : 80

Pass Marks : 32

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

1. Choose the correct answer from the following : 1×8=8

(a) The positivist researchers consider reality as

(i) subjective

(ii) objective

(iii) neutral

(iv) insignificant

- (b) Positivism as an epistemological program is the characteristic of
- (i) social sciences
 - (ii) performing arts
 - (iii) natural sciences
 - (iv) legal studies
- (c) Which one of the following research procedures is figured under post-positivistic approach?
- (i) Normative survey
 - (ii) Experimental study
 - (iii) Ethnographic study
 - (iv) Ex post facto study
- (d) Who is the author of the book, *The Rules of Sociological Method*?
- (i) Emile Durkheim
 - (ii) Auguste Comte
 - (iii) Karl Marx
 - (iv) Max Weber
- (e) Who is the author of the book, *The Coming Crisis of Western Sociology*?
- (i) Alvin Gouldner
 - (ii) Radcliffe-Brown
 - (iii) Andre Beteille
 - (iv) R. K. Merton

- (f) The term 'Reflexivity' is associated with
- (i) Durkheim
 - (ii) Weber
 - (iii) Harold Garfinkel
 - (iv) Alfred Schutz
- (g) Who coined the term 'Feminism'?
- (i) Charles Fourier
 - (ii) Helene Cixous
 - (iii) Pierre Bourdieu
 - (iv) None of them
- (h) Karl Popper is associated with
- (i) hypothetico-deductive model
 - (ii) inductive logic
 - (iii) ethnography
 - (iv) narrative analysis

2. Write short notes on any four of the following
(within 150 words each) : 4×4=16

- (a) Science and positivism
- (b) Logic of inquiry in social sciences
- (c) Reflexivity

- (d) Objectivity as explained by Max Weber
- (e) Comparative method
- (f) Feminist method
- (g) Focus group discussion

3. Answer any *four* of the following questions
(**within 500 words** each) : 14×4=56

- (a) Discuss the core ideas of positivists methodology.
- (b) Critically discuss the arguments put forward by C. W. Mills in his sociological imagination.
- (c) Discuss Durkheim's and Weber's idea on objectivity.
- (d) On what ground Harold Garfinkel criticises positivists methodology?
- (e) Discuss the importance of theory in social research with example.
- (f) Explain the main steps of deductive research.
- (g) Draw the differences between quantitative and qualitative approaches of social research.
