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First Semester B.A. Degree Examination, June 2022

First Degree Programme under CBCSS

Political Science

Core Course - I

PS 1141 — METHODOLOGY AND PERSPECTIVES OF SOCIAL SCIENCES (2020 Admission onwards)

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 80

PART - A

Answer all the questions each in one or two sentences.

Each question carries 1 mark.

- 1. Survey.
- 2. Hypothesis.
- Social research.
- Primary data.
- Positivism.
- 6. Ethics in research.
- 7. Geo-politics.
- 8. Normative approach.

- 9. Subjectivity.
- 10. Research methodology.

 $(10 \times 1 = 10 \text{ Marks})$

PART - B

Answer any eight questions in a paragraph. Each question carries 2 marks.

- 11. Variables in research.
- 12. Anthropology.
- 13. Ontology.
- 14. Plagiarism.
- 15. Statistical application in social sciences.
- 16. Sociology and Political Science.
- 17. Behaviouralism.
- 18. Enlightenment.
- 19. Empiricism.
- 20. Indian Council of Social Science Research.
- 21. Inductive and deductive methods.
- 22. Case study method.
- 23. Epistemology.
- 24. Methods of data collection in research.
- 25. Bias in research.
- 26. Political Economy.

 $(8 \times 2 = 16 \text{ Marks})$

PART - C

Answer any six questions. Each in 120 words. Each question carries 4 marks.

- 27. What are the scientific methods in Social Science research?
- 28. How does subjectivity affect research?
- 29. Explain the inter-relationship among various branches of Social Sciences.
- 30. Bring out the emergence of Social Sciences.
- Evaluate the problems of objectivity in Social Science research.
- 32. Examine the various research methods in Political Science.
- 33. Evaluate the quantitative and qualitative methods of social sciences.
- 34. How far plagiarism violates research ethics?
- 35. Point out the differences between research methods and research methodology.
- 36. Discuss the various approaches to the study of Social Sciences.
- 37. Examine the liberal perspectives of Political Science.
- 38. Point out the importance of the study of environmental politics.

 $(6 \times 4 = 24 \text{ Marks})$

PART - D

Essay questions. Answer any two questions. Each question carries 15 marks.

- 39. Examine the nature and scope of Social Sciences.
- 40. Discuss the major steps in Social Science research.
- 41. Explain the importance of quantitative research in political science.
- 42. Bring out the objectives and characteristics of Social Sciences.
- 43. Describe the major concepts in Social Science research.
- 44. Explain the normative and empirical approaches to Political Science.

 $(2 \times 15 = 30 \text{ Marks})$