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**B.A./B.Sc. (Hons.) 6th Semester
(2055)**

POLITICAL SCIENCE

**Paper—Opt. (i) : Research Methods in (Political Science)
Social Science**

Time Allowed : Three Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 90

Note :—(1) The first question is compulsory. Attempt **NINE** questions in **25 to 30** words each. Each question carries **2** marks.

(2) Rest of the paper contains four units. Each unit has **TWO** questions and the candidates should attempt **ONE** question from each unit i.e. **FOUR** in all. Each question carries **18** marks.

(Compulsory Question)

1. (1) What is Social Research ?
- (2) In your own words, define Social Science.
- (3) Write two objectives of research in Political Science.
- (4) Mention two major methodological positions that guide Political Science Researchers.

- (5) Write two advantages of using questionnaire as a Research Method.
- (6) What is the difference between open-ended and closed-ended questions ?
- (7) What are the characteristics of good research questions ?
- (8) Mention the names of two methods of sampling.
- (9) Write two types of averages that a researcher can use to show central tendency.
- (10) What is SPSS ?
- (11) Explain the term 'Research Design'.
- (12) Why is it so important to clearly define the research problem before gathering data ?
- (13) Why is literature review important in research ?
- (14) Mention about primary data.
- (15) Write the names of any two good books on Research Methodology.

UNIT—I

2. Discuss the meaning and nature of Social Science Research.
3. Examine the basic limitations of research in Political Science.

UNIT—II

4. Briefly discuss the relevance of traditional methods of research in Social Science.

5. Discuss the Survey research method and its limitations illustrated by Political scientists for using this method for the election surveys of the national electorate.

UNIT—III

6. Why is sampling important in Social Science Research ? Discuss the different types of sampling techniques.
7. Discuss the important ways of data processing after gathering the research data.

UNIT—IV

8. Why is research design important ? What are the key components in a research design ?
9. Define hypothesis. Discuss the significance of hypothesis in Social Science Research.