LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034

M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – **SOCIOLOGY**

FOURTH SEMESTER – **APRIL 2022**

PSO 4503 – QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE RESEARCH METHODS

Date: 20-06-2022 Dept. No. Max. : 100 Marks

Time: 01:00 PM - 04:00 PM

PART – A **(10x 2 = 20 Marks)**

Q. No **Answer ALL questions in about 30 words**

1 What is a construct?

2 Define variable.

3 Write a short note on nomothetic method of research.

4 Mention any four steps in report writing.

5 What is an inductive method of explanation? Give examples.

6 What is the significance of participant observation?

7 When do we use crosstab in social research?

8 Differentiate reliability from validity.

9 What do you understand by the term ethnographic sensibility?

10 Mention the limitations of qualitative data.

PART – B **(5 x 8 = 40 Marks)**

Answer any FIVE questions in about 300 words

11 Briefly explain the types of variables.

12 Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of qualitative methods of research.

13 What is the role and functions of hypotheses in social research? Explain.

14 Discuss in detail the advantages and disadvantages of questionnaire method of data collection.

15 Briefly explain the preliminary stages of the research report.

16 Explain the importance of SPSS in social research.

17 Describe the objectivity and bias involved in participant observation.

PART – C **(2 x 20 = 40 Marks)**

Answer any TWO questions in about 1200 words

18 Write a research proposal on a topic of your choice.

19 How do you think Sociological imagination has helped you in writing your dissertation? Provide a detailed and critical account.

20 Discuss in detail the different tools of data collection in qualitative research methods.

21 Highlight the important parts of a research report.

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