

Ex/IR/PG/3.5/2024

MASTER OF ARTS EXAMINATION, 2024

(2nd Year, 3rd Semester)

POLITICAL SCIENCE WITH INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

PAPER : IR/PG/3.5

(Research Methodology)

Time : Two Hours

Full Marks : 30

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

1. Answer **any three** of the following : 5×3=15

- (a) Why did Popper prefer falsification over validation?
- (b) Briefly discuss the concept of paradigm.
- (c) Distinguish between prescriptive and normative research questions with examples.
- (d) Bring out any two major differences between survey and interview.
- (e) Discuss in brief any two ethical issues involved in survey research.

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2. Answer **any one** of the following :

- (a) Discuss, with suitable examples, the Most Similar and Most Dissimilar System research designs. 15
- (b) Explain the importance of sampling in social science research. Describe various sampling techniques and point out their advantages and limitations. 5+10
- (c) Identify the underlying assumptions of Discourse Analysis. What are the major steps involved in this research strategy? 8+7

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