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MASTER OF ARTS EXAMINATION, 2025

(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 questions : 5×3=15

- (a) Write a short note on the concept of paradigm.
- (b) Briefly discuss any two attributes of positivism.
- (c) Mention any two differences between qualitative and quantitative research strategies.
- (d) Briefly explain the role of theory in research.
- (e) Identify any two assumptions of discourse analysis.

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

- (a) Which approach do you find more compelling : methodological individualism or holism? 15
- (b) Examine the significance of research design with special reference to its major types. 15
- (c) Comment on ethnography as a research method. How does it supplement survey as a data collection technique? 10+5=15

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