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**III Semester B.A. Degree (CCSS-Supplementary) Examination,
November 2017
(2011 and Earlier Admissions)
CORE COURSE IN ECONOMICS/DEVELOPMENT ECONOMICS
3B03 ECO : Methodology of Social Sciences With Special Reference to
Economics**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Weightage : 30

PART - A

Objective type questions (in bunches of two) :

I. Choose the correct answer.

- 1) From general to particular is applied in

a) Inductive method	b) Deductive method
c) Applied method	d) Cognitive method
- 2) Objectivity became the goal in the studies of social sciences with the introduction of

a) Socialism	b) Positivism
c) Naturalism	d) Idealism
- 3) The factors whose relationship social scientists try to uncover are called

a) Variables	b) Constants
c) Hypothesis	d) Concepts
- 4) The rules that specify what ought to be

a) Positive system	b) Normative system
c) Empiricism	d) Orientalist approach



- II. 5) A truth that remains true everywhere is
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| a) Objective fact | b) Subjective fact |
| c) Value judgement | d) Rationality |
- 6) Growth definition of economics was given by
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| a) Adam Smith | b) Alfred Marshall |
| c) Samuelson | d) Ragnar Frisch |
- 7) The building blocks of a theory are
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| a) Hypothesis | b) Concepts |
| c) Subjectivity | d) Sample |
- 8) A variable external to the economic system is called
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| a) Dependent variable | b) Independent variable |
| c) Endogenous variable | d) Exogenous variable |
- (2×1=2)**

PART – B

(Short answer questions)

Answer **any ten** questions of the following **not** exceeding **50 words each**. Each question carries **1** weightage.

9. Define Social Science.
 10. What is meant by inter-disciplinary approach ?
 11. What is a theory ?
 12. What is positive science ?
 13. Write a short note on subjectivity approach.
 14. What are macro models ?
 15. What is experimental method ?
 16. Explain model.
 17. What does Economics attempt to explain as a social science ?
 18. What is micro economics ?
 19. What is scientific knowledge ?
 20. What is Physical Science ?
- (10×1=10)**



PART – C

Answer **any five** questions **not** exceeding **150 words each**. Each question carries **2** weightage.

21. What is the significance of value judgement in Social Science ?
22. Examine the emergence of Social Sciences.
23. Explain the role of economic models.
24. Explain the ethical issues in Social Sciences.
25. What is inductive method ? Explain its merits and demerits.
26. Explain the scarcity definition of Economics.
27. Distinguish between partial and general equilibrium analysis. **(5×2=10)**

PART – D
(Long Essay)

Answer **any two** questions **not** exceeding **450 words each**. Each question carries **4** weightage.

28. Examine different branches of social science and how it is connected to each other.
29. Critically examine the relevance and significance of objectivity and subjectivity principles in social science.
30. Explain the nature and scope of Economic laws. What are its limitations ?
31. Explain the types of economic variables. **(2×4=8)**