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**V Semester B.A. Degree (CBCSS – OBE – Regular/Supplementary/  
Improvement) Examination, November 2022  
(2019 Admission Onwards)  
CORE COURSE IN POLITICAL SCIENCE  
5B07POL : Research Methodology in Political Science**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 40

**PART – A**

I. Short answer. Answer **all** questions. **Each** in **one** or **two** sentences. **Each** answer carries **one** mark. **(6×1=6)**

- 1) Meaning of Research.
- 2) Action Research.
- 3) Null Hypothesis.
- 4) Exploratory research.
- 5) Secondary data.
- 6) Synopsis.

**PART – B**

II. Short Essay. Answer **any six** questions. **Each** question answer carries **two** marks. **(2×6=12)**

- 7) What are the characteristics of scientific research ?
- 8) Briefly discuss the importance of Literature Review.
- 9) Bring out the major components of Research design.
- 10) Describe the characteristics of survey method.

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- 11) What is sampling criteria in research ?
- 12) List out the problems of objectivity in political science research.
- 13) Discuss the role of computers in research.
- 14) Write a brief note on plagiarism.

**PART – C**

III. Answer **any four** questions **each** in **120** words. **Each** answer carries **three** marks. **(3×4=12)**

- 15) Explain the types and importance of variables.
- 16) Discuss the steps in the Research Process.
- 17) Define hypothesis and discuss its functions and importance.
- 18) Highlight the role of Ethics in research.
- 19) Identify the basic challenges of social science research in India.
- 20) Discuss different writing styles of research report.

**PART – D**

IV. Essay question. Answer **any two**. **Each** question carries **five** marks. **(5×2=10)**

- 21) Explain different types of research and discuss their advantages and limitations in social science research.
- 22) Explain the characteristics of a good hypothesis and discuss the criteria for formulating a hypothesis.
- 23) Define sampling and discuss different types of sampling techniques.
- 24) Draft the layout of a research report.