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**III Semester M.A. Degree (CBSS – Reg./Sup./Imp.)**  
**Examination, October 2022**  
**(2020 Admission Onwards)**  
**GOVERNANCE AND POLITICS**  
**GAP3C12 : Research Methodology in Political Science**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

**SECTION – A**

Answer **any ten** questions (**Paragraph**) :

1. Epistemology.
2. Objectivity.
3. What is Research ?
4. Intervening Variable.
5. Postpositivist Research Data Sources.
6. Deductive method of inquiry.
7. Random Sampling.
8. Questionnaire.
9. Hypothesis in social research.
10. Exploratory Research.
11. Grounded Theory.
12. The advantages of using action research as a methodology. (10×2=20)

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**SECTION – B**

Answer **any six** questions (**Short essay**) :

13. What is Data ? Distinguish between Primary and Secondary Data.
14. Discuss the difference between method and methodology.
15. Post positivist approach to research.
16. Write a brief note on ontological assumptions on reality.
17. Write on ethnography in political science research.
18. Write a brief note on referencing style by citing examples.
19. Discuss ethics in social research.
20. What is sampling and explain any two sampling techniques ? (6×5=30)

**SECTION – C**

Answer **any two** questions (**Essay**) :

21. What is research ? Explain the purpose of Political Science Research.
22. Explain and contrast the positivist and interpretive research approaches. The positivist/interpretivist – divide.
23. Discuss the different types of qualitative and quantitative research designs.
24. Discuss the analysis methods of quantitative and qualitative data. (2×15=30)