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III Semester B.A. Degree (CCSS – 2014 Admn. – Regular) Examination, November 2015 CORE COURSE IN HISTORY

3 B03HIS: Methodology and Perspectives of Social Science

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 40

I. Essay type – Answer any two out of four questions :

 $(2 \times 7 = 14)$

- Elaborate the emergence and growth of social sciences.
- 2) Discuss the methods in social sciences.
- Assess the salient features of caste system in India. How far does the problem of caste become relevant in social science? Discuss.
- 4) Briefly explain the early attempts to establish objectivity in social sciences. How far is the objectivity possible in social sciences?
- II. Short Essay Answer any five out of eight questions:

 $(5 \times 3 = 15)$

- Discuss social science approaches to the social problems.
- 6) What is the relevance of social science disciplines?
- 7) Write a note on scientific method.
- Discuss the relationship between the spirit of enlightenment thinking and social science.
- 9) Discuss the relationship between history and other social sciences.
- 10) Critically examine the contributions of Karl Popper to social sciences.
- 11) Explain the significance of gender consciousness in contemporary India.
- Discuss the interventions of Thomas Kunh in methodological issues of social science.



- III. Short Questions Answer any eleven out of fifteen questions: (11×1=11)
 - 13) Hypothesis
 - 14) Empiricism
 - 15) Concept
 - 16) Anthropology
 - 17) Functionalism
 - 18) Orientalist approach
 - 19) Positivism
 - 20) Social fact
 - 21) Variables
 - 22) Research
 - 23) Theory
 - 24) Inductive Reasoning
 - 25) Post-colonialism
 - 26) Dialectical materialism
 - 27) Structuralism.