

**PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE**  
(AUTONOMOUS)  
**BA DEGREE EXAMINATION DECEMBER 2018**  
(Fourth Semester)

Branch – **SOCIOLOGY**

**RESEARCH METHODOLOGY**

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

**SECTION-A (20 Marks)**

Answer **ALL** questions

**ALL** questions carry **EQUAL** marks. (10 x 2 = 20)

- 1 Define science.
- 2 Explain the term research.
- 3 Indicate the types of research.
- 4 Define social survey.
- 5 What is research design?
- 6 What is sample?
- 7 What do you understand by secondary data?
- 8 Define case study.
- 9 What do you understand by tabulation?
- 10 What is the use of foot note?

**SECTION - B (25 Marks)**

Answer **ALL** Questions

**ALL** Questions Carry **EQUAL** Marks (5 x 5 = 25)

- 11 a Explain the characteristics of scientific method.  
OR  
b Explain the process involved in carrying out research.
- 12 a Enumerate the types of social survey.  
OR  
b Explain the sources of hypothesis.
- 13 a Discuss the features of a good research design.  
OR  
b Why sampling is used in social research.
- 14 a Distinguish between interview schedule and questionnaire.  
OR  
b Discuss case study method in social research.
- 15 a Discuss the points to be considered while constructing a table.  
OR  
b Write a note on indexing.

**SECTION - C (30 Marks)**

Answer any **THREE** Questions

**ALL** Questions Carry **EQUAL** Marks (3 x 10 = 30)

- 16 Describe the methods in sociological research.
- 17 Explain in detail the major steps in social research.
- 18 Discuss the major types of research designs.
- 19 Describe the relevance of primary and secondary data in social research.
- 20 Explain the procedures to be followed in data analysis and interpretation.