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**B.A./B.Sc. (Hons.) Sixth Semester
Political Science**

Paper – IV [Opt. (i)]: Research Methods in (Political Science) Social Science

Time allowed: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 90

NOTE: Attempt five questions in all, including Question No. 1 which is compulsory and selecting one question from each Unit.

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I. Attempt any nine of the following:-

- a) Define research.
- b) Mention two limitations of Social Science Research.
- c) What is the key element of scientific research.
- d) What do you understand by content analysis?
- e) What is a sample? Give example.
- f) What is the difference between participant and non participant observation?
- g) Explain what are the advantages of interview method.
- h) Mention two features of a good questionnaire.
- i) What is Research Design?
- j) Explain the difference between method and methodology.
- k) What is null hypothesis?
- l) What you mean by coding in data processing?
- m) Mention two distinctive feature of social science research.
- n) Give example of a study where survey research method was used.
- o) What is a research problem? (9x2)

UNIT – I

II. Discuss and analyse the nature of social science research. (18)

III. What are the limitations or problems encountered in doing research in social sciences? (18)

UNIT – II

IV. What is research methodology? Explain the steps in scientific research process. (18)

V. Explain the difference between open and close ended questionnaire with examples. What are the major steps involved in the process of construction of schedule or questionnaire? (18)

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UNIT – III

- VI. Explain in brief the significance and stages in data processing. (18)
- VII. What are the different sampling techniques used in social science research? Explain. (18)

UNIT – IV

- VIII. What is a research Report? Explain the characteristics of a research report. (18)
- IX. What is a hypothesis? Explain its importance and types of hypothesis. (18)

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