Ph. D. IN JOURNALISM AND MASS COMMUNICATION (PHDJMC)

Term-End Examination

December, 2024

RJM-101 : COMMUNICATION RESEARCH METHODS

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 100

Note: Attempt five questions in all. Section A is compulsory. Attempt any two questions from Section B and any two questions from Section C.

Section-A

1. Define the following terms:

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- (a) Hypothesis
- (b) Variables
- (c) Operational definitions
- (d) Sampling frame
- (e) Closed-ended questions
- (f) Control group

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- (g) Scales of measurement
- (h) Research instrument
- (i) Research Design
- (j) Pattern matching

Section-B

2. Write short notes on any four of the following:

 $4 \times 5 = 20$

- (a) Critical Paradigm
- (b) Quantitative Approach
- (c) Needs Assessment Study
- (d) Thick Description
- (e) Textual Analysis
- (f) Interview Schedule

3. Differentiate between any *two* of the following :

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- (a) Cross Sectional and Longitudinal Research
- (b) Formative and Summative Research
- (c) Experimental and Quasi-experimental Research
- 4. Write detailed note on any *one* of the following:

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- (a) Participatory Research
- (b) Sampling
- (c) Review of Literature

Section-C

- Design a content analysis study on a television programme of your choice. Discuss in detail the process you would follow to ensure reliability and validity of your findings.
- 6. Which tool of data collection would you use to obtain qualitative data from rural women on their television viewing habits? Explain its process in detail.
- 7. Design a research study using observation method. What process will you follow and care you would take to be objective while using this method?
- 8. Discuss the strengths and limitations of survey method. What precautions will you take while using this method? Explain with suitable examples.