## Paper-V Research Methodology-I (Option-i)

Max. Marks: 100 Internal Marks: 20 External Marks: 80 Time: 3 Hours

Note:

The question paper will consist of nine questions. The candidate shall attempt five questions in all. Question No. 1 will be compulsory. The compulsory question will consist of four short answer type conceptual/thematic questions of equal marks (i.e. 4 marks each) spread over the whole syllabus. The Candidate shall attempt four more questions selecting at least one from each Unit. Each question will carry 16 marks.

**Unit-I** Social Research- Its Nature and Types.

Traditional Approaches- Philosophical, Institutional, Marxian and Gandhian.

Behavioural Revolution in Political Science and its Criticism.

Post-Behaviouralism

**Unit-II** Models, Paradigms and Theories- Conceptual and Theoretical Models.

Meaning and Types of Paradigms.

Theory-Meaning, Goals and Types.

Construction of a Theory and Relationship Between Theory and Research.

**Unit-III** Scientific Method-Basic Assumptions, Steps and Limitation. Scientific Study of Political Science.

Historical Method, Comparative Method, Analytical Method and Psycho-Analysis.

Methods of Popper and Kuhn.

Unit-IV The Building Blocs of Social Scientific Research-Hypotheses, Concepts and Variables, Generalization and Law.

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