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**TEZPUR UNIVERSITY**

**SEMESTER END EXAMINATION (SPRING) 2020**

**MSO 401: RESEARCH METHODOLOGY**

Time: **3 hours** Full Marks: **70**

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks for the individual question

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1. Answer **any seven**of the following questions: 2x7= 14

1. What is ontological realism?
2. Who is known as the father of empirical philosophy?
3. Who wrote the book, *The Structure of Scientific Revolutions*?
4. What is positivism?
5. Who introduced case study method into social sciences?
6. What are the types of in-depth interviews?
7. Who has introduced the grounded theory method?
8. What is the formula for median?
9. What is sampling error?

2. Answer **any four**of the following questions: 5x4= 20

1. Explain ‘a posteriori’ and ‘a priori’ knowledge.
2. What was the basis of Aristotle’s metaphysics?
3. Write two limitations of interpretivism.
4. How is participant observation important in ethnography?
5. What are the main concerns for selecting cases?
6. What are the different types of coding?

3. Answer **any four**of the following questions: 9x4= 36

1. Discuss the contributions of Comte and Durkheim to the positivist tradition of thought.
2. Analyze the subjectivity-objectivity debate. Discuss the relevance of subjectivity and objectivity in social research.
3. Critically examine the significance of the researcher in ethnographic research.
4. What is a case study method? Explain the merits and demerits of a case study method.
5. What is research design? Explain in detail experimental research design.
6. Explain the structure and component of a research report.

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