Paper-VII – Skill – 1 Applications of Social Research

Objectives: To introduce the methods in quantitative and qualitative research, To enhance the ability of the students to apply the research methods to practical issues, To enhance their ability of analysis and presentation of data Course Outline-

Unit-I

Developing Research Skills, Writing research proposal, Steps, Review of Literature, Guidelines for evaluating Review of Literature and Writing Bibliography.

Unit-II

Sampling: Types, Probability and Non probability.

Unit-III

Skills of Collecting Data- Identifying variables, Preparing questionnaire, Structured and unstructured Coding, Ratios, Cross Tabulation, Graphic Presentation.

Unit-IV

Skills of Analyzing Data- Use and Application of Absolute and Standard Deviation and Variance in Sociological, Research.

Unit-V

Tests of Significance Use and Significance of Computers in Sociological Research.

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