

Birla Institute of Technology and Science, Pilani

GS F331 – Techniques in Social Research

Comprehensive Exam

Attempt all questions. Questions 1-6 carry 5 marks each, and question 7 carries 10 marks.

1. Extreme researchers reject the existence of science in the social world, distrust systematic empiricism, and view that causality cannot be studied. Justify with the help of postmodernism.
2. Justify that causality can be established using experimental research. Enumerate merits and demerits of experimental research.
3. Define types of triangulation and provide appropriate examples to comprehend the process.
4. Define feminist research and construct a research design elaborately using this methodology.
5. Discuss types of validity and threats to validity.
6. Differentiate between survey and interview methods using examples.
7. Discuss the process of extraction of a representative part of the population explaining probability and non-probability types of it.

11-12-23

Max Marks: 40
Max Time: 3
hours