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Section – A

Research Methodology

Unit I. Research in Social Sciences - The meaning, nature and characteristics of

Science, Difference between Natural Sciences and Social Sciences. Social Research-Meaning, objectives, assumptions, types and utility, Qualities of a good Researcher, Public Administration as a Science. Importance of research in Public Administration.

Unit II. Scientific Method -

Meaning, characteristics and various steps in scientific methods, value and use of scientific method in social sciences, limitations of scientific method.

Unit III. Objectivity

Difficulties in achieving objectivity in social research, means of increasing objectivity in social research. Hypothesis: Meaning and nature of hypothesis, characteristics of a good hypothesis, formulation of hypothesis, types of hypothesis, verification and testing of hypothesis, utility of hypothesis.

Unit IV. Research Design -

Meaning and need for research design in research. Sampling Design :- Basis of sampling, types, how to select sample, Advantages and disadvantages of sampling method

- Unit V. Methods of Social Research i) Experimental Method-Types of experiments, planning and experiment, merits and demerits of this method.
 - ii) Statistical method-Significance of this method in social research process of statistical research, limitations of this method.
 - iii)Case Study Method-Definition, assumptions, importance of this method, its relation with statistical method, limitations of this method.
 - iv) Survey Method- Difference between social research and social survey, social planning of survey, objectives of a survey, merits and demerits of this method.
 - v) Interview Method: Observation-Questionnaire and Schedule:
 - vi) Processing of data- Editing, classification and tabulation. Mean, mode, median, content analysis Preparation of Research Report

Section - B Unit I - Modern Administrative Theory

1. Introduction - Meaning, Nature Scope & Significance of Public

Administration,

- Evolution of Public Administration as a Discipline

- Role of Public Administration in Developing Society

2. Scientific Management - Meaning, Objectives, Principles, Impact,

Drawbacks and Criticism

3. Theories - Classical, Bureaucratic, Human-Relations,

Behavioral

4. Approaches - Developmental, Decision Making,

Structural-Functional, System

5. Recent Trends in

Public Administration - New Public Administration,

Public Choice Approach, New Public Management,

Good Governance-concept & applications,

Public Administration & Information Technology

Unit II- Office Management

1. Office & Office Management - Meaning & functions of Office &

Office Management

- Role of Office Manager

2. Office Organization - Meaning & types of Office

Organization, Hierarchy, Authority,

Delegation, Decentralization,

Departmentation

3. Office Accommodation & - Location, Layout and Furniture

Environment Working Condition-Lightning, Ventilation,

Security, Cleanliness

- Sanitation, Office Machines

4. Office Systems & Procedures - Planning of Office System

- Flow of Work

- Office Procedure

-Computerization of Office

5 . (a).Office Communication -The Process of Communication

and Correspondence - Internal and External Correspondence

(b). Office Forms - Design of Forms,

- Principles of Forms Designing

Unit III- Recent Issues in Indian Administration

- 1. Context of Indian Administration Social, Political & Economic
- 2. New Economic Policy and Indian Administration
- 3. Impact of Information Technology on Indian Administration
- 4. New Devises in Administration Right to Information,
 - Citizens' Charter,
 - Public Private Partnership etc.
- 5. Administrative Reforms in India Various Reports & its Impact
 - Reports of Administrative Reforms Commission (I & II)

Unit IV- Local Self Government in India

Meaning, Features & Importance of 1. Local Self Government

Local Self Government

2. Evolution of Local Self Community Development Program

Balwantrai Mehata Committee Provisions in 73rd and 74th Government

Constitutional Amendments

3. Composition, Powers & Gram Panchayat, Panchayat Samiti

Functions & Zilla Parishad

4. Problems of Local Self Finance, Personnel

> Officio- Non Officio Relation Government

5. State Local Relations in India -Centre- State Relationship,

State Control over Local Bodies,

Urbanization

Unit V - Management Science, Administrative & Management Thinkers

A. Management Science:

1. Management Science - Meaning, Significance & Principles of

Management Science

2. Approaches to Management -

Science

Behavioral, System, Classical

3. Management Leadership - Leadership Styles & Leadership

Qualities

4. Management Functions - Decision Making

- Direction

- Co-ordination

- Planning

- Delegation

- Communication

Supervision

- Motivation

5.Management Patterns - (MBO) Management by Objectives,

(MBR) Management by Result,

(MBE) Management by Exception,

(TQM) Total Quality Management

B. Administrative & Management Thinkers:

1. Kautilya - Principles of Administration

Machinery of Administration

2. Charles Babbage - Division of Labor

- Emphasis on Developing Scientific Approach to

Management

3. Fredrick W. Taylor - Concept of Management

- Principles of Scientific Management

4. Woodrow Wilson - Views on Administration

Comparative Administration

5. Max Weber - Concept of Authority

Concept of Bureaucracy

- Ideal Model of Bureaucracy

6. Herbert Simon - Views on Traditional Administration

- Behavioral Approach,

7. Fred Riggs - Ecological Approach,

Prismatic Model

8. Abraham Maslow - Hierarchy of Needs