

D 140538**(Pages : 2)****Name.....****Reg. No.....****SECOND SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE (REGULAR/SUPPLEMENTARY)
EXAMINATION, APRIL 2026****(CBCSS)****Islamic History****ISH2C02—RESEARCH METHODOLOGY****(2019 Admission onwards)****Time : Three Hours****Maximum : 30 Weightage***Answers should be written **either** in English **or** Malayalam.***Part A (Short Answers)***Answer any **four** questions in not less than 50 words.**Each question carries 2 weightage.*

1. Explain Qualitative Research.
2. Describe Bibliography.
3. State Plagiarism.
4. Outline the steps of Data Collection.
5. Examine the aim of Literature Review.
6. Clarify Abstract.
7. Present Hypothesis.

(4 × 2 = 8 weightage)**Part B (Short Essay)***Answer any **four** questions in not less than 150 words.**Each question carries 3 weightage.*

8. Explain the main objectives of research in academic studies.
9. Explore the deductive and inductive approaches in research.
10. Analyse the nature of a research paper as a form of academic exploration.

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11. Examine the role of citation in preventing plagiarism.
12. Trace the differences between direct quotation and paraphrasing.
13. Elaborate the importance of clarity and precision in academic writing.
14. Illustrate the importance of proper documentation in research writing.

(4 × 3 = 12 weightage)

Part C (Long Essay)

*Answer any **two** questions in not less than 450 words.*

Each question carries 5 weightage.

15. Describe the various stages of the research process and analyse their interrelationship.
16. Assess the methods of evaluating sources and their significance in ensuring academic credibility.
17. Discuss the ethical responsibilities of researchers in maintaining academic integrity.
18. Outline the standard format of a research paper and explain its major components.

(2 × 5 = 10 weightage)