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## M.B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATIONS, NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2020 Second Semester BA7207 – BUSINESS RESEARCH METHODS (Regulations 2013)

Time: Three Hours Maximum: 100 Marks

Answer ALL questions

PART - A (10×2=20 Marks)

- 1. What is meant by series research?
- 2. What are research objectives?
- 3. Write the difference between nominal and ordinal scale. Give an example each.
- 4. What is meant by research design?
- 5. What is quota sampling?
- 6. What are the advantages of survey method?
- 7. What do you mean by one-tailed test and two-tailed test?
- 8. Explain briefly about acceptance region and rejection region.
- 9. State the difference between subjectivity and objectivity.
- 10. What are the different types of research reports?

PART - B (5×13=65 Marks)

11. a) Explain the steps involved in the research process.

(OR)

b) "The selection of a topic for research is only half a step forward". Discuss.

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12. a) Explain in detail the various points of differences between exploratory and causal research design processes.

(OR)

- b) What do you mean by scaling? Write short notes on the following:
  - i) Semantic differential scale.

(3)

ii) Likert-type scale.

(3)

iii) Arbitrary scale.

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iv) Multidimensional scaling.

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13. a) Discuss the methods of data collection by big business houses in recent times.

(OR)

- b) Describe the methods of determining sample size.
- 14. a) "The procedure of testing hypothesis requires a researcher to adopt several steps". Describe in brief all such steps.

(OR)

- b) What is the significance of using multiple discriminant analysis? Explain the technical details involved in such a technique.
- 15. a) Describe the process of report preparation. Discuss the importance of objectivity in writing a Marketing/Finance/Human Resource research report.

(OR)

b) Discuss the importance of language, cauterization, tone and proof reading in a research report preparation.

PART - C

 $(1\times15=15 \text{ Marks})$ 

16. a) Explain the various multivariate statistical techniques.

(OR)

b) Discuss the application of statistical software for data analysis.

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