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(2021 Scheme)

Course Code : 21GN100

Course Name: Research Methodology

Max. Marks : 60

**Duration: 3 Hours** 

# PART A

#### (Answer all questions. Each question carries 3 marks)

- 1. Distinguish between research methods and research methodology.
- 2. Define citation in research? Illustrate the relationship between impact factor and citation.
- 3. What are the factors to be kept in mind while selecting a research problem?
- 4. What is the meaning of 'scope' of a research? Give an example.
- 5. Differentiate between simple random sampling and stratified random sampling.
- 6. What are the basic tests for sound measurements?
- 7. Illustrate the term 'research hypothesis'.
- 8. Compare MS Word and LaTeX.

## PART B

#### (Answer one full question from each module, each question carries 6 marks)

## **MODULE I**

9. Explain the different types of research, clearly pointing out the difference (6) between an experiment and a survey.

## OR

10. Distinguish between Copyright and Copyleft. State the broad criteria for awarding a Patent. (6)

#### **MODULE II**

11. Define 'research problem'. What is the necessity of defining research problem? (6)

#### OR

12. What is the purpose of literature survey in research? What are the various skills of the researcher demonstrated while conducting a literature review? (6)

## **MODULE III**

13. Compare and contrast the research designs in respect of exploratory and descriptive research studies. (6)

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14.	a)	Describe the key points to be noted for sample design.	(3)
	b)	Explain the sources of errors in sampling.	(3)

# **MODULE IV**

15. Differentiate between primary and secondary data. What are the various methods for collection of primary data? (6)

## OR

16. Briefly describe the method of data collection using questionnaires. What are qualities for a good questionnaire? (6)

# MODULE V

17. Briefly explain the structure and components of a typical technical paper. What is the difference between abstract and conclusion in a research paper? (6)

## OR

18. Explain the significance of a research report and narrate the various steps involved in writing such a report. (6)

## **MODULE VI**

19. Why are communication skills important in research? Justify your answer with examples. (6)

# OR

20. "The task of defining the research problem often follows a sequential pattern". Explain with a flow diagram. (6)