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BCM 5B 08—BUSINESS RESEARCH METHODS

(2019 Syllabus)

Time : Two Hours and a Half

Maximum : 80 Marks

*Answers should be written in English only.***Part A***Answer all questions.*

1. Define Research.
2. What do you mean by alternative hypothesis ?
3. What is basic research ?
4. What is research design ?
5. What is experimental research design ?
6. What do you mean by primary data ?
7. What is a Questionnaire ?
8. What is quota sampling ?
9. What do you mean by independent variable ?
10. What is a moderating variable ?
11. What do you mean by scale data ?
12. What is the purpose of the pilot study ?
13. What is a frequency table ?
14. What is multi-variate data analysis ?
15. What do you mean by sampling frame ?

(15 × 2 = 30, maximum ceiling 25 marks)

**Turn over**

**Part B**

*Answer all questions.*

16. Explain the phases of business research.
17. Differentiate exploratory and causal research.
18. What are variables in research ? Explain its types.
19. Elucidate probability sampling
20. Distinguish between primary data and secondary data
21. What is research report ? Explain the types of reports.
22. What is business research ? Explain its features.
23. What is research gap ? How to identity the research gap ?

( $8 \times 5 = 40$ , maximum ceiling 35 marks)

**Part C**

*Answer any two questions.*

*Each question carries 10 marks.*

24. Define business research. Discuss its significance and essential features in the business environment.
25. What is research design ? Explain different types of research design with suitable examples.
26. What are the different methods of data collection ? Explain the methods adopted in business research.
27. Data analysis is a pivotal aspect of research. Explain the statement in the light of tools and statistical methods for data analysis.

( $2 \times 10 = 20$  marks)