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RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

Paper : BBA-223

Time Allowed: Three Hours] [Maximum Marks: 80

Note:—Attempt any FOUR questions from Section A and TWO questions each from Section B and Section C.

SECTION—A

- 1. What is the purpose of a literature review in research methodology?
- What is the role of a research hypothesis in the scientific method?
- 3. Describe the purpose of a research instrument in data collection.
- 4. How does stratified sampling differ from simple random sampling?
- 5. What role does the p-value play in hypothesis testing?
- 6. Define the term "confidence interval" in the context of statistical analysis.

SECTION-B

- 7. Discuss the strengths and weakness of qualitative and quantitative data collection methods. Provide examples of situations where each approach is most appropriate, and discuss how a mixed-methods approach could enhance research outcomes.
- 8. Elaborate on the principles of effective question construction. Discuss the differences between open-ended and closed-ended questions, and provide guidelines on when to use each type in a questionnaire. How can researchers ensure clarity and precision in their questions?
 - Explain the concept of scaling in social science research.
 Compare various scaling techniques outlining their advantages, disadvantages and ideal applications.
 - Analyze the ethical implications of using sensitive or intrusive questions in a questionnaire. Propose ethical guidelines that researchers should follow when including such questions in their surveys.

SECTION—C

- Compare and contrast convenience sampling and purposive sampling. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of each, with reference to potential biases in research.
- Explain the fundamental steps involved in hypothesis testing.
 Include a discussion on null and alternative hypotheses, significance levels, and the decision-making process.

- 13. Compare and contrast parametric and non-parametric statistical tests. Provide examples of situations where each type of test would be more appropriate, and discuss the assumptions underlying each.
- 14. Discuss best practices for reporting the results of hypothesis tests in research papers or reports. Include guidelines for presenting statistical findings, including descriptive statistics, test statistics, p-values, and effect sizes.
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