M. COM DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - OCT 2020 : FEBRUARY 2021

SEMESTER 1 : COMMERCE

COURSE : 16P1COMT04 : RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

(For Regular - 2020 Admission and Supplementary - 2016/2017/2018/2019 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Max. Marks: 75

PART A

Answer any 10 (2 marks each)

- 1. What do you mean by Field Study?
- 2. Write a note on research approach.
- 3. What is meant by Criterion Variable?
- 4. What do you mean by Type II error?
- 5. What is meant by Multistage Sampling?
- 6. What is the meaning of Quota Sampling?
- 7. What do you mean by the Principle of Statistical Regularity?
- 8. Distinguish between data and information.
- 9. Give the meaning of Structured Interview.
- 10. Write any two advantages of collecting secondary data.
- 11. What is SPSS?
- 12. What do you mean by Confidence Interval?

 $(2 \times 10 = 20)$

PART B Answer any 5 (5 marks each)

- 13. Examine the problems in field of Education that can be studied with the help of research.
- 14. What is a variable? What are the different types of variables?
- 15. What are the objectives of research proposal?
- 16. What are the different Probability sampling methods?
- 17. Write a note on: (a) Purpose of a pilot study (b) Rights of Respondents in a survey.
- 18. Explain some of the measures adopted by industrial world for data collection.
- 19. How do you decide whether the primary data or secondary data to be collected for research?
- 20. What is an executive summary? Discuss the purpose and contents of the executive summary.

(5 x 5 = 25)

PART C Answer any 3 (10 marks each)

- 21. Bring out clearly the difference between Social and Physical sciences and the basic assumptions of social research. Also point out difficulties that come in the way of social research.
- 22. Explain the characteristics of a good hypothesis. What are the various sources of hypothesis?
- 23. What is meant by sampling? What are the criteria for the selection of a sampling technique?
- 24. Define interview. What are the steps involved in interview? Bring out its merits and demerits as a tool of data collection.
- 25. Discuss in detail the process of writing a research report.

(10 x 3 = 30)