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MBA (2 Year) 2nd Semester (N. S.) 2011 Examination – May, 2012

BUSINESS RESEARCH METHODS

Paper: MBA-205

Time: Three hours] [Maximum Marks: 80

Before answering the questions, candidates should ensure that they have been supplied the correct and complete question paper. No complaint in this regard, will be entertained after examination.

Note: Attempt eight short questions from Section - A and four questions from Section - B (one question from each unit).

SECTION - A

 $2 \times 8 = 16$

- 1. Highlight the need for business research.
- **2.** What are concepts ? What is their significance in research?

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- 3. Which factors affect the sample size?
- 4. Does every research need measurement scales?
- 5. Differentiate between questionnaire and schedule.
- **6.** What are non-parametric tests? Why are they called so?
- 7. What is discriminant analysis?
- 8. What are the principles of writing bibliography?

SECTION - B

UNIT - I

- Why do business organizations need research?
 A company, faced with the problem of increasing rate of work force turnover, wants you to conduct a research on this problem. Prepare a blueprint on the research process, you will follow.
- 10. Highlight the importance of problem identification in research. Which should be the major considerations in problem identification? Explain and illustrate.

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(b) Two samples of pigs were taken, first sample pigs were fed on diet A and second sample pigs were fed on diet B. Their respective increase in weights are as given below:

Sample A 10 6 16 17 13 12 8 14 15 9

Sample B 7 13 22 15 12 14 18 8 21 23 10 17

Test the hypothesis that mean increase in weight is more for pigs fed on diet A.

UNIT - IV

- 15. Discuss in detail the ingredients and construction of research report.16
- **16.** Write notes on the following:
 - (i) Factor analysis,
 - (ii) Cluster analysis.

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