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M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION - ECONOMICS

THIRD SEMESTER – NOVEMBER 2013

EC 3810 - RESEARCH METHODS IN ECONOMICS

Date : 09/11/2013
Time : 9:00 - 12:00

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Max. : 100 Marks

Part A

Answer any five of the following; not exceeding 75 words each:

5*4 = 20

1. Explain the idea of formulating a research problem.
2. Bring out a comprehensive definition of research.
3. What are the qualities of a good research worker?
4. What are the dangers to be avoided in research?
5. Explain the concept of interview bias.
6. What are the factors that hinder research?
7. Briefly explain the role of library skills in research.

Part B

Answer any four of the following; not exceeding 250 words each:

4*10 =40

8. What are the sources of identifying a research problem?
9. Explain in detail the value of social science research in India.
10. In the process of primary and secondary data collection, explain the steps involved.
11. “The library is still an underutilized part of research” Suggest some measures to overcome this.
12. Explain the case study method as a tool of research.
13. The field is the laboratory for social science research –Explain
14. Evaluate the need for a proper research design

Part C

Answer any two of the following, not exceeding 900 words:

2*20 = 40

15. Economic research is essential for the growth of an economy.
16. Explain the method of observation as an important tool of research.
17. Sampling is an integral part of research. Explain its relevance.
18. Evaluate and explain a proper and adequate research report outlining its component.
