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M. A. DEGREE (C.S.S) EXAMINATION, OCTOBER 2016
SEMESTER III - ECONOMICS
EC3C13M – RESEARCH METHODS IN ECONOMICS

Time: Three Hours

Maximum Marks: 75

PART A

I. Answer any five questions. Each question carries 3 marks

1. What is applied vs. fundamental research?
2. What are the motives behind people to do research?
3. What is a research problem?
4. Explain the qualities of a good research
5. Explain the differences between primary data and secondary data
6. What do you mean by Inter disciplinary research?
7. Explain the components of research problem

(5x3=15)

PART B

II. Answer any six questions. Each question carries 5 marks

8. What is hypothesis? Discuss its need and importance?
9. What are the problems encountered by researchers in India?
10. Explain the difference between probability and non probability sampling
11. Explain observation method
12. Describe fully the technique of defining a research problem
13. Explain the difference between research method and methodology
14. What are the Qualities of a good questionnaire?
15. Distinguish between Null hypothesis and Alternative hypothesis
16. Explain case study method

(6x5=30)

PART C

III. Answer any two questions. Each question carries 15 marks

17. Define hypothesis and explain the procedure for hypothesis testing
18. Briefly explain research process
19. Explain the layout of a good research report
20. Explain the methods of collecting primary data

(2x15=30)