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EXAMINATION PAPER

B. A (Hons) Development Studies: Part 2 Semester 2

COURSE CODE : ADS 209
COURSE TITLE : Research Methods and Statistics for Development
DURATION : 3 Hours
DATE :

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

1. Answer any THREE questions only.
2. Each question carries 25 Marks.
3. Start each question on a new page of your answer sheet.
4. Use relevant examples or case studies in answering questions

1. a. Explain the reasons of carrying out research giving relevant examples. (15)
b. Discuss the qualities of a good research proposal. (10)
2. Discuss the correlation between research and development. (25)
3. Discuss the pros and cons of focus group discussions in research. (25)
4. a. Outline the differences between a population and a sample. (5)
b. Discuss four major characteristics of a good sample. (8)
c. Briefly explain the following research concepts:
 - i. Simple random sampling (2)
 - ii. Systematic random sampling (2)
 - iii. Stratified random sampling (2)
 - iv. Cluster sampling (2)
 - v. Multi-stage random sampling (2)
 - vi. Purposive sampling (2)
5. a. Compare and contrast qualitative and quantitative research methods. (15)
b. Explain the advantages and disadvantages of using a mixed method in research. (10)

END OF PAPER