

Department of HRM and OB

End-term Examination

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Course Title: **HR Research Methods**

Course Code: **MHRM 401**

Max. Marks: **100**

Time Allowed: **3 hrs.**

Section – A

All questions in this section are compulsory. Each question carries 1 mark.

1. If the study is repeated over an extended period, then the study is called as _____
 - a) Cross sectional study
 - b) Descriptive study
 - c) Time series analysis/study
 - d) Longitudinal study
2. Respondents are asked to rate an attitude object on a number of multiple-point rating scales bounded at each end by one of two bipolar adjectives or phrases. This type of question is called:
 - a) Dichotomous
 - b) A semantic differential
 - c) Rating scale
 - d) A Likert scale
3. The contact method that minimizes interviewer bias is:
 - a) Mail
 - b) Telephone
 - c) Focus group
 - d) Personal interview
4. Which data collection techniques cannot study attitudes?
 - a) Observation
 - b) Mail survey
 - c) Semantic differential
 - d) Multidimensional scaling
5. Which type of sampling uses whoever seems to be available-
 - a) Stratified sampling
 - b) Area sampling
 - c) Quota sampling
 - d) Convenience sampling
6. _____ sampling is especially useful when you are trying to reach population that are inaccessible or hard to find.
 - a) Convenience sampling
 - b) Quota sampling
 - c) Snowball sampling
 - d) All of the above
7. The quality of a research to produce almost identical results in successive repeated trials reflects it's

- a) Reliability
 - b) Validity
 - c) Accuracy
 - d) Predictability
8. An easy reference about the sources of the data through which the research has been compiled is provided by the
- a) Footnotes
 - b) Executive summary
 - c) Introduction
 - d) Bibliography
9. A critical review of the information, pertaining to the research study, already available in various sources is called
- a) Research review
 - b) Research design
 - c) Data review
 - d) Literature review
10. The inclusion of open-ended questions on many questionnaire means that a significant amount of _____ data is also collected.
- a) secondary
 - b) quantitative
 - c) qualitative
 - d) primary

Section – B

Attempt any five questions out of eight. Each question carries 6 marks.

- Q No. 11 What is the significance of Hr research in today's era of workforce diversity?
- Q No. 12 Define validity. Is it different from reliability?
- Q No. 13 What do you understand by scale reliability?
- Q No. 14 What are sampling and non-sampling errors?
- Q No. 15 Briefly explain the sources of secondary data collection.
- Q No. 16 What are the characteristics of hypothesis?
- Q No. 17 What do you understand by Common Factor Analysis?
- Q No. 18 Write a note on web-based information sources in management.

Section – C

Attempt any five questions selecting one from each unit. Each question carries 12 marks.

Unit – I

- Q No. 19 Discuss in detail the errors that are likely to creep in while conducting HR research.
- Q No. 20 What are the steps involved in pursuing HR research process?

Unit – II

- Q No. 21 Define validity. Explain construct validity and its significance for judging the quality of analysis in any HR study.
- Q No. 22 Explain the importance of scaling techniques in measuring talent management in telecom industry.

Unit – III

Q No. 23 Explain various non-probability sampling techniques. Support your answer with appropriate examples of HR domain.

Q No. 24 What is sample size? Discuss the procedure required to select a sample.

Unit – IV

Q No. 25 What are the important terms used while interpreting the results of EFA?

Q No. 26 Explain in detail the relevance of EFA and CFA in the HR research process.

Unit – V

Q No. 27 Discuss in detail the layout of HR research report. Support your answer with suitable examples.

Q No. 28 Write short note on APA referencing. Also explain web-based information sources in search engines.