Indian Statistical Institute Documentation Research and Training Centre MS(LIS) 2018-20, Semester II

Paper 8: Elements of Statistics and Research Methodology
Date: 26/02/2019

Time: 11:30 – 13:00

Maximum Marks: 40

Question paper has three parts. All the questions are compulsory.

Part A

- 1. "Student's visit to the library is influenced by the availability of the Internet". Identify the variables in the given problem. (1)
- 2. Identify the type of research:

(1X4)

- a. The research conducted to study consumer behaviour in Gopalan Arcade.
- b. A study of mathematician turned librarian.
- c. Study on the health and attractiveness of well rested and sleep deprived people.
- d. Use of web resources in Central Universities of India.
- 3. Identify the sampling technique used:

1X5

- a. 20 B.Math, 6 M.Math, 4 MS(QMS), 6 MS(LIS) and 7 Research Scholars are randomly selected from 98 B.Math, 23 M.Math, 16 MS(QMS), 24 MS(LIS) and 35 Research Scholars from ISI Bangalore.
- b. Traffic police stop every 10th vehicle on the road to check the Vehicle Insurance and PUC.
- c. Calling randomly generated telephone numbers, a study asked 855 Indian citizens regarding their job satisfaction.
- d. A pregnancy study in Bangalore randomly selected 25 communities from the metropolitan area then interviewed all pregnant women in these communities.
- e. A politician asked his neighbour's views on a controversial issue.

- 4. Define the research problem. Write down the workflow of the inductive and deductive hypothesis. (1+1)
- 5. State True or False with Justification:

(1+1)X4

- a. Validity is more critical to measurement than reliability.
- b. Stability and equivalence aspects of reliability essentially mean the same thing.
- c. Content validity is the most difficult type of validity to determine.
- d. Reliable measurement is necessarily a valid measurement.

Part C

6. Attempt any two questions.

(10X2)

- a. Explain experimental research. Compare it with the Historical and Survey research methods.
- b. Define Research Design. Explain its need and purpose. Enumerate the characteristics of good research design.
- c. Explain and compare different data collection methods of the research.