NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

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DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS MANAGEMENT

RESEARCH METHODS – CBU 2208

FINAL EXAMINATION - AUGUST 2009

TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- (i) Answer Question One (1) and any other Three (3) Question.
- (ii) All questions carry (25) marks each.
- (iii) Questions may be answered in any order.
- (iv) As much as possible, use relevant examples.

SECTION A COMPULSORY

QUESTION 1

Critically examine three quantitative research techniques. [25 Marks]

SECTION B

QUESTION 2

Discuss the major characteristics of a good research. [25 Marks]

QUESTION 3

Briefly discuss the following:

a) Explanatory study [5 Marks]

b) Management research question hierarchy. [5 Marks]

c) Case study design [5 Marks]

d) Judgemental sampling [5 Marks]

e) Stratified sampling [5 Marks]

QUESTION 4

a) Discuss any one qualitative research technique. [15 Marks]

b) What is its applicability and advantages over other qualitative methods? [10 Marks]

QUESTION 5

Discuss the importance of secondary data in business research. [25 Marks]

QUESTION 6

Questionnaires are an important tool in the collection of data. Discuss the major components of a good questionnaire design. [25 Marks]

QUESTION 7

Outline the components of a research proposal and its importance in research.

[25 Marks]

END OF EXAMINATIONS