

NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
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BACHELOR OF QUANTITY SURVEYING (HONOURS) DEGREE
PART II SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS – MAY 2014
TECHNIQUES OF GATHERING INFORMATION AND REPORT WRITING –
AQS2203

TIME: 3 hours

Total marks: 100

Instruction to candidates

Answer all questions

Question 1

- a) Explain the different stages of the data processing operation (8 marks)
- b) Describe the constituents of a technical report (12 marks)

Question 2

- a) Define the term 'research' and explain its significance (10 marks)
- b) Discuss the merits and demerits of interviews and postal questionnaires in data collection (10 marks)

Question 3

- a) Discuss Research Methods and Research Methodology (8 marks)
- b) Identify and discuss any three non-probability sampling techniques (12 marks)

Question 4

- a) Discuss the difference between quantitative and qualitative research (10 marks)
- b) Present a research project outline and explain how you would ascertain a research topic. (10 marks)

Question 5

Explain the fundamentals of a good research report (20 marks)

END OF EXAMINATION