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Main Examination Paper

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This examination paper consists of 2 pages

Time Allowed: 3 hours

Total Marks: 100

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INSTRUCTIONS

1. Answer **ANY FOUR** questions
2. Each question carries 25 marks

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QUESTION	MARKS
1.	25
2.	25
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5.	25

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Question 1

- a. Describe any two reports of your choice explaining the layout [10]
- b. Explain the rationale for conducting researches [10]
- c. Describe the characteristics of a research problem? [5]

Question 2

- a. Discuss any two research philosophies of your choice [10]
- b. Discuss any three sampling techniques highlighting their differences [15]

Question 3

Differentiate quantitative from qualitative data presentation and analysis [25]

Question 4

- a. Discuss any 4 types of researches highlighting their differences [16]
- b. Describe the two basic approaches to research giving examples on how they can be applied [9]

Question 5

- a. Explain the structure of a dissertation for a research in the construction industry [15]
- b. With aid of an example, describe the constituents of a letter by a contractor requesting for extension of time [10]