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FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT SCIENCES
2023 2 EXAMINATIONS

COURSE CODE: FMS731

CREDIT UNIT: 2

COURSE TITLE: RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

TIME ALLOWED: 2HOURS

Instruction: 1. Attempt question number one (1) and any other two (2)

2. Question number one (1) is compulsory and attracts 30 marks, while any other two questions attract 20 marks each
3. Present your answers any points in a clearly and orderly manner

1a. Identify and discuss any four major challenges confronting research in your discipline. Suggest ways to overcome them. **15 marks**

1b. As a student currently writing a research project, you are expected to use a theoretical framework in executing your research. Discuss the procedure for effective use of theoretical framework: **10 marks**

1c. Explain briefly the importance of literature review in research. **5 marks**

2a. A good review of literature is an essential component of a research project. Discuss at least five advantages of a good literature review. **10 marks**

2b. Theory is an instrument for discovery and advancement of knowledge. Provide five reasons to validate this statement. **10 marks**

3a. Identify and discuss three major typologies of research. **15 marks**

3b. Discuss the importance of theoretical framework in a research project. **5 marks**

4a. Discuss five strengths and five weakness of survey research. **15 marks**

4b. Briefly explain the research proposal process. **5 marks**

5a. Highlight five benefits and five flaws associated with the use of questionnaire as a research instrument. **10 marks**

5b. Identify two methods of determining the reliability of a research instrument. Briefly discuss the test-retest method. **10 marks**