Ph. D. IN STATISTICS (PHDSTAT) Term-End Examination December, 2024

RST-001 : RESEARCH METHODOLOGY IN STATISTICS

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 100

Note: (i) Question No. 1 is compulsory.

- (ii) Attempt any **four** questions from question nos. 2 to 7.
- (iii) Non-programmable/scientific calculator is allowed.
- (iv) Symbols have their usual meanings.
- 1. (a) State whether the following statements are true or false. Give reasons in support of your answers: $4\times2=8$
 - (i) In an interview, rejecting a candidate who is suitable for the job will give rise to Type-II error.

- (ii) If the monthly incomes (in thousand rupees) of a random sample of five workers in a small company are 25, 20, 30, 15 and 10, then the unbiased estimate of the average monthly income of all workers will be 20.
- (iii) A researcher should control the dependent variables while conducting experimental research.
- (iv) The standard deviation of 10 values of a data is 50. If each value is divided by 5, then the new standard deviation would become 10.
- (b) Differentiate between the following and give *one* example of each: $3\times4=12$
 - (i) Experiment and Survey
 - (ii) Research method and Research methodology
 - (iii) Null and Alternative hypotheses
 - (iv) One-way ANOVA and Two-way ANOVA

- 2. (a) Give various definitions of research and explain its meaning and scope. 10
 - (b) Explain the significance of research in statistics in various fields.10
- 3. (a) Show that Spearman's rank correlation coefficient is:

$$r_s = 1 - \frac{6\sum_{i=1}^{n} d_i^2}{n(n^2 - 1)}$$

- (b) Describe various uses of Chi-square test. 10
- 4. (a) The monthly income of five employees in a company are as follows:

- (i) List all possible samples (without replacement) of size 2, 4
- (ii) Compute the mean of all samples and set up the sampling distribution of sample mean.
- (b) Design a questionnaire on uses of smart phones in day-to-day life. 12

5. Write short notes on any *two* of the following:

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- (i) Research proposal
- (ii) Review of published literature
- (iii) Research report
- 6. Describe the steps involved in research process with suitable examples.
- 7. Describe various problems encountered by a researcher in India.