Ph. D. IN TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY SERVICES MANAGEMENT (PHDTS) Term-End Examination June, 2025

RTS-103 : RESEARCH METHODOLOGY IN TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 100

Note: Answer any four questions. All questions carry equal marks.

1. Explain the significance of research in tourism and hospitality. How does research contribute to effective decision-making and policy formulation in the industry?

- 2. What is a hypothesis? Discuss the types of hypotheses and their role in research, especially within tourism and hospitality studies.
- 3. Critically evaluate the various methods of data collection. Which methods are most suitable for tourism and hospitality research and why?
- 4. Explain the stages of data processing. How do data coding, editing and tabulation aid in research quality?
- 5. Explain the process of data analysis and interpretation. Why is interpretation considered a critical phase in research?
- 6. Outline the steps involved in the preparation of a thesis. What are the essential components that must be included?

- 7. Discuss the process of decision-making based on research findings. How can research outcomes influence policy or managerial decisions in tourism?
- 8. Evaluate the ethical considerations in tourism and hospitality research. How can researchers ensure responsible conduct throughout the research process?

