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M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – ECONOMICS

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EC 3810 - RESEARCH METHODS IN ECONOMICS

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Time : 01:00-04:00

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Max. : 100 Marks

Part A

Answer any five of the following; not exceeding 75 words each:

5*4 = 20

1. Define the concept of scientific research.
2. Why is interview method still a most popular tool of data collection?
3. Distinguish between field and experiment study.
4. What is ethics in research?
5. Choosing of sample may look very easy, but it is not so – explain
6. What are the characteristics of a good research?
7. What purpose does footnote and bibliography serve?

Part B

Answer any four of the following not exceeding 250 words each:

4*10 =40

8. Evaluate case study method.
9. What is the purpose of a questionnaire?
10. What is the rationale and purpose of research design? Bring out its relevance.
11. Draft out a plan for a research study you are going to undertake.
12. Economic research in the modern day context has undergone lot of changes-explain.
13. Explain the various sources of identifying a research problem.
14. Explain in detail the numerous qualities required for a research worker.

Part C

Answer any two of the following, not exceeding 900 words:

2*20 = 40

15. Explain the problem of objectivity in social science research.
16. Explain the steps involved in the design and execution of a research problem.
17. Compare and contrast the interview and questionnaire method as tool of research
18. Bring out the detailed format of a research report.
