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**MCPS 6104 – Research Methodology**

**Duration: Three (03) Hours**

**Total Number of Questions: 06**

**Answer THREE (03) Questions ONLY.**

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1. Research is a structured inquiry that utilizes acceptable scientific methodology to solve problems and creates new knowledge that is generally applicable.

Discuss the above statement.

2. Answer all the sections:

- (a) Formulate a Research Problem (1-2 pages);
- (b) Write two (02) Objectives for the same;
- (c) Compile two (02) Research Questions on the same.

3. The literature review is an integral part of any research study.

Explain how the literature review is done, what print and electronic sources can be used in a literature review.

4. Explain all three sections:

- a) Qualitative Research Method;
- b) Quantitative Research Method;
- c) Mixed Research Method.

5. List the main components of a research proposal.

6. Write short-notes on any **TWO** of the followings:

- a) Theoretical basis for research
- b) Research Questions
- c) Primary and secondary data
- d) Research Ethics

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