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34 BUSINESS RESEARCH METHODS

Max. Marks: 30

Duration: 1.5 Hours

Statistical data tables and scientific calculators permitted.

PART A

Answer all questions. Each question carries 2 marks

- 1. Compare exploratory and conclusive research.
- 2. Explain primary scales of measurement.
- 3. Discuss briefly the methods of quantitative data collection.
- 4. Explain Type I and Type II error.

PART B

Answer any 2 questions. Each question carries 6 marks

- 5. Explain various stages in Business Research process with the help of a diagram.
- 6. Explain two comparative and two non-comparative scales with an example for each.
- 7. A study performed a regression analysis to determine whether affective commitment of employees influences turnover intention. The output of the study is given below

| Model | Unstandardized Coefficients | | Т | Sig. |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|------------|--------|-------|
| | В | Std. Error | | |
| Constant | 4.728 | 0.317 | 14.920 | 0.000 |
| Affective Commitment | -0.425 | 0.108 | -3.929 | 0.000 |

Dependent Variable: Turnover Intention

| | | | Std. Error of the |
|--------------------|----------|-------------------|-------------------|
| R | R Square | Adjusted R Square | Estimate |
| 0.430 ^a | 0.185 | 0.173 | 0.77805 |

Based on the tables above, answer the following

(a) Write the estimated linear regression equation.

- (b) How much variation in turnover intention can be explained by affective commitment?
- (c) Explain why the researcher has chosen regression to analyze the association between affective commitment and turnover intention. (1)

PART C

Compulsory question, the question carries 10 marks

8. (a) Explain sampling design with a diagram and discuss any two probabilistic sampling methods with merits and demerits (6) (b) Differentiate between sampling error and non sampling error giving examples of each. (4)
