

**MASTER OF SCIENCE (DIETETICS AND
FOOD SERVICE MANAGEMENT) (M.Sc. DFSM)**

Term-End Examination

June, 2016

**MFN-009 : RESEARCH METHODS AND
BIostatistics**

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

- Note :**
- (i) *Question No. 1 is compulsory.*
 - (ii) *Answer five questions in all.*
 - (iii) *All questions carry equal marks.*

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1. (a) Define the following : 10
- (i) Parametric Test
 - (ii) Variance
 - (iii) Discrete Variable
 - (iv) Sampling Design
 - (v) Population
- (b) Give one example for each of the following : 5
- (i) Determinant
 - (ii) Demographic Variable
 - (iii) Research Tool
 - (iv) Sampling Technique
 - (v) Test of Mental Ability
- (c) List the main limitations of correlational studies. 5

2. "Lung Cancer is becoming common due to several reasons". Develop a research proposal to find out the reasons of lung cancer in your state. Proposal should include following points :
- (a) Title of the Research Study 2
 - (b) Research Objectives 3
 - (c) Sample and Sampling Technique 5
 - (d) Research Design 3
 - (e) Research Instruments 5
 - (f) Method of Data Collection. 2
3. Explain the following in brief :
- (a) Official Records 5
 - (b) Use of Rating Scale 5
 - (c) Content Validity 5
 - (d) Uses of Questionnaire 5
4. Differentiate between the following sets of terms :
- (a) Nominal Scale and Ordinal Scale 5
 - (b) Histogram and Frequency Polygraph 5
 - (c) Structured Interview and Unstructured Interview 5
 - (d) Participant observation and Non-participant observation 5

5. Compute mean, median and mode of the following frequency distribution : 20

| C.I. | f |
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| 71 - 75 | 5 |
| 66 - 70 | 8 |
| 61 - 65 | 4 |
| 56 - 60 | 3 |
| 51 - 55 | 2 |
| 46 - 50 | 6 |
| 41 - 45 | 1 |

6. (a) Describe the advantages of formulating a research design. 6
(b) Describe the strengths of using case study method in research. 6
(c) Write the sources of data in the design of short studies. 8

7. (a) 8 females and 6 male students enrolled in MFN course obtained the following score : 10

Female : 30 42 50 35 64 48 62 33

Male : 34 44 58 60 38 47

Calculate significance of difference between the mean scores of the females and the males.

- (b) The theory and practical marks of 10 students are given below : 10

Theory (x) : 24 34 33 22 37 23 38 33 44 35

Theory (y) : 15 21 28 31 18 24 36 32 27 18

Find the correlation coefficient between x and y .

8. Write short notes on **any four** of the following :

- (a) Data Processing 5+5+5+5
 - (b) External Criticism of Documents
 - (c) Normal Probability Distribution
 - (d) Uses of Rating Scales
 - (e) Non-parametric tests
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