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HIGHER DIPLOMA IN HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

BAC 3104: RESEARCH METHODS

SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS

SERIES: FEBRUARY/MARCH 2015

TIME: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

- This paper consists of **FIVE** questions.
- Answer question **ONE** (**Compulsory**) and any other **TWO** questions.

This paper consists of Two printed pages.

QUESTION 1 (Compulsory)

a) Define research. (5 marks)

b) As a researcher in Technical University of Mombasa, what would you consider to be the purpose of research? (10 marks)

c) Define hypothesis. (5 marks)

d) Explain to young researchers the purpose of hypothesis. (10 marks)

QUESTION 2

Discuss the various methods of research design.

(20 marks)

QUESTION 3

State and discuss the main instruments used in research.

(20 marks)

QUESTION 4

You are a research officer in your organization and you are required to prepare a research proposal. What would you include in your research proposal? (20 marks)

QUESTION 5

Literature review is very important to a researcher. Explain to research students the importance of literature review in undertaking research. (20 marks)