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STATISTICAL METHODS

END OF SEMESTER EXAMS

SERIES: APRIL/MAY 2010.

TIME: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- 1. The paper consists of **TWO** Sections **A** and **B**.
- 2. Answer **ALL** questions in Section **A**
- 3. Answer **TWO** questions only from Section **B**
- 4. Use of Calculators is allowed. DO NOT USE MOBILE PHONES AT ALL.

SECTION A

Answer **ALL** questions – 30 marks (Compulsory).

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| Q.1 | (a) | Brief | Briefly explain the difference between the following terms: | | | | | | | | | |
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| | | (i) | Prima | Primary data and secondary data | | | | | | | (4 marks) | |
| | | (ii) | Popu | Population and Sample. | | | | | | | (4 marks) | |
| | (b) | What | t is a data array? | | | | | | | (2 marks) | | |
| | (c) | The f | The following data shows the ages (in years) of 50 employees of | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Diddy Ltd. | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 22 | 57 | 41 | 38 | 19 | 20 | 37 | 58 | 33 | 37 | |
| | | 24 | 29 | 40 | 30 | 23 | 27 | 27 | 25 | 48 | 32 | |

- (i) A grouped frequency distribution table with classes of size 5 starting from 15 years. (8 marks)
- (ii) Calculate the mean of the above b(i) grouped frequency distribution. (4 marks)
- From the grouped frequency distribution table you have prepared, plot (iii) a Histogram. (6 marks)
- (iv) On the same axes used in (iii) above, plot a frequency polygon. (2 marks)

SECTION B

Answer any **TWO** questions ONLY from this Section.

Q.2 Describe **FOUR** advantages of the tabular form of data presentation. (a)

(4 marks)

(b) The following table shows the distribution of marks in a statistics test for diploma students of January 2008.

| Marks | No. of students |
|---------|-----------------|
| 10 – 20 | 20 |
| 20 - 30 | 4 |
| 30 – 40 | 10 |
| 40 – 50 | 6 |

Calculate:

| (i) | The mode | (3 marks) |
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| (ii) | The median | (4 marks) |
| (iii) | The quartile deviation. | (9 marks) |

Q.3 (a) Calculate the standard deviation of the following numbers:

(b) Explain **FOUR** methods of collecting primary data. (10 marks)

Q.4 The IQs of a group of **SIX** students were measured, then they sat a certain examination. Their IQs and examination marks obtained were as follows:

| Persons: | IQ(x) | Exam marks (y) |
|----------|-------|----------------|
| A | 110 | 70 |
| В | 100 | 60 |
| С | 140 | 80 |
| D | 120 | 60 |
| E | 80 | 10 |
| F | 90 | 20 |

- (a) Find the regression lines relating to this data i.e **x** on **y** line and **y** on **x** line. (18 marks)
- (b) Use one of the lines to estimate the IQ of a student who obtained 77 marks. (Round to nearest whole number). (2 marks)

Q.5 (a) Highlight **THREE** advantages of moving values. (3 marks)

(b) The table below shows the sales made by J08 Ltd. For the years 2008 and 2009.

| Month | Sales (Sh. Million) | | | |
|-----------|---------------------|------|--|--|
| | 2008 | 2009 | | |
| January | 190 | 205 | | |
| February | 180 | 200 | | |
| March | 204 | 230 | | |
| April | 272 | 305 | | |
| May | 255 | 245 | | |
| June | 196 | 240 | | |
| July | 212 | 215 | | |
| August | 238 | 230 | | |
| September | 245 | 280 | | |
| October | 264 | 315 | | |
| November | 280 | 340 | | |
| December | 270 | 325 | | |

Provide Z-chart of the Sales for the year 2009.

(17 marks)