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## NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR LEGISLATIVE AND DEMOCRATIC STUDIES/ UNIVERSITY OF BENIN POST GRADUATE PROGRAMMES

### SEMESTER EXAMINATION

Programmes: PGD

Session: 2023/2024

Semester: **First**

Course Code: GLC 702

Course Title: - **Research Methods and Report Writing**

#### Instructions:

- i. Answer Question One and any other three Questions
- ii. Time allowed: **3hours**

#### Question One (compulsory)

- a. Provide a clarification of the concept of research methodology. **(2 marks)**
- b. What is the usefulness or the relevance of the methodology section/chapter in a dissertation? **(3 marks)**
- c. Explain any five (5) factors upon which the choice of methodology to be adopted in a research may depend **(10 marks)**
- d. Discuss any five (5) key questions that a researcher must answer in adopting objective by objective methodology **(10 marks)**

#### Question Two

- a. What are the purposes of a research report? **(3 marks)**
- b. Examine any five (5) characteristics of a good research report. **(5 marks)**
- c. With the aid of examples, distinguish between bibliographies and footnotes **(7 marks)**

#### Question Three

- a. What do you understand by research conclusion? **(3 marks)**
- b. Explain in details the difference between a recommendation and a summary in a research report. **(12 marks)**

#### Question Four

- a. What is a research problem? **(3 marks)**
- b. Why is a good research problem important? **(3 marks)**
- c. Explain any three (3) factors that should be considered in finding a good research problem. **(9 marks)**

#### Question Five

- a. What do you understand by the concept of a data? **(1 mark)**
- b. What is the usefulness/role of data in a research? **(1 mark)**
- c. Distinguish between primary and secondary data. **(3 marks)**
- d. Examine any five (5) sources of each type of data. **(10 marks)**

#### Question Six

- a. What is a review of the literature in research? **(2 marks)**
- b. Why is review of the literature important in research? **(3 marks)**
- c. With the aid of example distinguish between chronological and thematic approaches to literature review? **(10 marks)**