

NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA FACULTY OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES DEPARTMENT OF CROP AND SOIL SCIENCES 2020_2 EXAMINATION

EXAMINATION: JANUARY 2020_2 EXAMINATION COURSE TITLE: STATISTICS AND RESEARCH METHODOLOGY COURSE CODE: AGR 501 TOTAL SCORE: 70 MARKS TIME ALLOWED: 2hours 30 minutes INSTRUCTION: Answer FOUR Questions in all. Question 1 is compulsory (30marks) and any four questions (10 marks each)

QUESTIONS

1.

- **a.** Discuss extensively the difference between researchable and non-researchable problems. (**12 marks**)
- **b.** What are the major important tips to consider when making a choice of a research problem? (**15 marks**)
- c. Name the three methods use for data collection in agricultural research. (3marks)

2.

- **a.** Give four reasons why null hypothesis is important in research. (4 marks)
- b. State two examples of each of parametric and non-parametric test. (6 marks)

3.

List and Discuss elaborately the most frequently used parametric test for agricultural research. (**10marks**)

4.

- a. State the factors that affect the level of significance. (6 marks)
- b. Enumerate the importance of hypothesis in agricultural research. (4 marks)
- 5.
- a. Describe the two major classification of hypothesis (4marks)
- b. Construct a flow diagram for hypothesis testing. (6marks)

6.

- a. Give three advantages and of hypothesis testing. (4marks)
- b. Define research design and list types of research design. (6marks)
- 7.
- a. Highlight the major sources of error in Agricultural Research? (6 marks)
- b. Describe the concept development as a technique in developing a measurement tool? (4 marks)