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EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF MASTERS OF ARTS

HIST 806: HISTORICAL METHODS II

STREAMS: M.A (HISTORY)

TIME:3 HOURS

DAY/DATE: WEDNESDAY 26/04/2023

8.30 A.M. –10.30 A.M.

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer four questions only

Q1. Assess the use of computer in historical research (15 marks)

Q2. Elucidate how one can effectively use Archival sources in a historical research (15 marks)

Q3. a) Examine the following ways of evaluating historical evidence;

i. External criticism (4 marks)

ii. Internal criticism (4 marks)

b) Explain the historical data analysis procedure (7 marks)

Q4. a) Assess the data collection procedure in a historical research (7 marks)

b) Elucidate the hints for avoiding plagiarism in a historical research (8 marks)

Q5. What are advantages and disadvantages of using the following research instruments in history:

i. Interview schedules (5 marks)

ii. Questionnaires (5 marks)

iii. Focus Group Discussion (5 marks)

Q6. Discuss the basic principles of the following sampling methods;

i. Simple random sampling (5 marks)

- ii. Stratified sampling (5 marks)
 - iii. Purposive sampling (5 marks)
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