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KIBABII UNIVERSITY

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**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS
2020/2021 ACADEMIC YEAR**

FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER

**FOR THE DIPLOMA
IN
CRIMINOLOGY & CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

COURSE CODE: DCR 058

COURSE TITLE: SOCIAL RESEARCH METHODS

DATE: 12TH/JULY/2021

TIME: 9AM - 11AM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer question **ONE** (30 marks) and any other **TWO** questions (20 marks each)

TIME: 2Hours

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QUESTISION ONE

- a)
- i) Define the term social research 1 Mark
 - ii) Briefly outline five characteristics of a good research 5 Marks
 - iii) Distinguish between research methods and research methodology 6 Marks
- b) Choose a topic in your area of study and do the following;
- i) Formulate the purpose of your study 2 Marks
 - ii) Formulate three research objectives for the study 3 Marks
 - iii) State three corresponding research questions 3 Marks
 - iv) Do a conceptual framework for the study, showing the independent and dependent variables together with their indicators 5 Marks
 - v) Describe any five variables that you have studies in social research 5 marks

QUESTISION TWO

- a) Explain the meaning of measurement in research 3 Marks
- b) Explain the four different measurement scales used in research 12 Marks
- c) Point out the possible sources of errors in measurement 5 Marks

QUESTISION THREE

- a) Describe how you would undertake literature review in your area of interest 10 Marks
- b) Briefly explain the different types of probabilistic and non-probabilistic sampling techniques in research 10 Marks

QUESTISION FOUR

- a) Define the term research design and explain any five salient features of a good research design 10 Marks
- b) Discuss the need for a research design in social research 10 Marks

QUESTISION FIVE

- a) Describe any five reasons why a critical review of literature is important 10 Marks
- b) Define the term conceptual frame work and describe its importance to research 10 Marks