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MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (MMUST)

MMUST EXAMINATION

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2022/2023 ACADEMIC YEAR

SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS FOR BACHELORS OF SCIENCE ECONOMICS AND BACHELOR OF ECONOMICS AND STATISTICS

COURSE CODE: ECO 202

COURSE TITLE: ECONOMIC STATISTICS

DATE: TUESDAY 06/12/2022 TIME: 12:00-14:00

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

ATTEMPT QUESTION ONE and ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS

TIME: 2 Hours

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OUESTION ONE

a) Define the scope of statistics.

(3 marks)

- b) State THREE ways in which statistics may be useful in our daily lives (3marks)
- c) Explain briefly the two types of statistics

(6 marks)

d) Describe briefly the levels of measurements

(4marks)

- e) Differentiate between each of the following pair of terms
 - i) Regression and Correlation
 - ii) Stratified random sampling and Systematic random sampling
 - iii) Geomap and a Score card
 - iv) Quartile deviation and coefficient of variation

(8 marks)

f) The following table gives the monthly wages and cost of living index no. based on 2018:

| Years | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | |
|-----------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--|
| Wages | 65 | 70 | 75 | 80 | 90 | 100 | 120 | |
| Index no. | 100 | 110 | 120 | 130 | 150 | 200 | 250 | |
| 0 1 11 | | | | | | | | |

Calculate the real wages.

(6 marks)

QUESTION TWO

- a) "Based on the responses to a mailed questionnaire, a company was disturbed to find that about 30 percent of its customers were dissatisfied by the service they receive from the field agents. This was in sharp contrast to the field agents' response which indicated that only about 2 percent customers were having problems." Discuss (10 marks)
- b) "Sampling is necessary under certain conditions." Explain with illustrative examples.

(10 marks)

QUESTION THREE

a) Find the mean, median and mode from the following frequency distribution

| Output in units | No. of workers | | |
|-----------------|----------------|--|--|
| 300-309 | 9 | | |
| 310-319 | 20 | | |
| 320-329 | 24 | | |
| 330-339 | 38 | | |
| 340-349 | 48 | | |
| 350-359 | 27 | | |
| 360-369 | 17 | | |
| 370-379 | 6 | | |

(12 marks)

- b) Show the relative position of different averages in a moderately symmetrical series (4 marks)
- c) What are the qualities which an average must possess (4 marks)

QUESTION FOUR

a) Calculate the mean deviation from the following data:

| f |
|----|
| 18 |
| 16 |
| 15 |
| 12 |
| 10 |
| 5 |
| 2 |
| 2 |
| |

(8marks)

b) Find the standard deviation of the data in the following distribution.

| X | f |
|----|----|
| 12 | 4 |
| 13 | 11 |
| 14 | 32 |
| 15 | 21 |
| 16 | 15 |
| 17 | 8 |
| 18 | 5 |
| 20 | 4 |

(8marks)

c) Discuss two advantages of observation as a method of data collection. (4marks)

QUESTION FIVE

a) State the assumptions of the linear regression equation

(8marks)

b) Find the coefficient of correlation between X and Y,

(7marks)

| X | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Y | 12 | 11 | 13 | 15 | 14 | 17 | 16 | 19 | 18 |

c) A correlation coefficient of 0.5 does not mean that 50% of the variance is explained. Comment. (5marks)