Course Code	BBA5 B08
Title of the Course	BUSINESS RESEARCH METHODS
Semester	5
No. of Credits	4
No. of Contact Hours	64 Hrs
Hours/week	4 Hrs

Module I : Business Research: Meaning and Definition - Features of Business Research - Phases of Business Research .Theory Building - Induction and Deduction Theory - Concept - Operational Definition - Variable - Proposition. Hypothesis - Types of Hypothesis. Types of Business Research: Basic and Applied - Exploratory - Descriptive and Causal.

10 Hours

Module II : Research Design:Research Design - Research Problem Identification – Identifying Research Gap – Setting Of Objectives And Hypotheses – Identifying The Variables - Dependent - Independent And Intervening Variables – Sampling Plan – Sample Size – Sampling Methods – Steps In Developing A Research Design.

15Hours

Module III: Data and Method of Research: Typesof Data – Primary Data: Meaning – Sources. Secondary Data- Meaning - Sources of Secondary Data- Limitation of Secondary Data. Exploratory Research: Objectives - Methods - Experience Survey - Secondary Data Analysis - Case Study - Pilot Study by Focus Group Interview. Method of Primary Data Collection: Survey- Types of Survey- Measurement and Scaling: Nominal - Ordinal – Interval and Ratio Scale – Criteria for Good Measurement – Reliability and Validity. Survey Instrument: Questionnaire and Schedule- Essentials of a Good Survey Instrument.

15Hours

Module IV : Data Processing and Analysis: Processing Stages - Editing - Coding and Data Entry - Descriptive Analysis under Different Types of Measurements - Percentages - Frequency Table - Contingency Table - Graphs - Measures of Central Tendency , dispersion and Index Number - Interpretation.

10 Hours

Module V : Report Writing and Presentation: Research Report - Types of Reports - Content ofReport - Style of Reporting - Steps in Drafting Reports - Qualities of a Good Report -Documentation - Citation - Footnotes - References - Bibliography - APA and MLA - Formats inWriting References and Bibliography.

14 Hours

Reference Books:

- 1. Donald R.CooperAndPamela S, Schindler: Business Research Methods. Latest Edition, IrwinMcgraw- Hill International Editions, New Delhi.
- 2. John Adams, Hafiz T.A. Khan Robert Raeside, David White: Research Methods for GraduateBusiness and Social Science Students, Response Books. New Delhi.
- 3. Kothari C. R., Research Methodology: Methods And Techniques, New Age InternationalPublishers,New Delhi.
- 4. Neresh K. Malhotra: Marketing Research, Latest Edition. Pearson Education.
- 5. William G. Zikmund, Business Research Methods, Thomson.
- 6. Wilkinson T.S. and Bhandarkar P.L, Methodology and Techniques of Social Research, Himalaya Publishers.
- 7. John W. Best And James V. Khan, Research in Education.
- 8. Singh A. K., Tests, Measurements and Research Methods In Behavioral Scienc, Bharathi Bhavan Publishers
- 9. Srivastava, T N and Shailaja Rego, Business Research methodology Mcgraw-Hill
- 10. Alan Bryman ,Social Research Methods , Oxford University Press
- 11. Howard Lune, Bruce L. berg, Qualitative Research Methods for Social Sciences