Statistical Methods: Decision theoretic approach to estimation and testing. Application of Normal, t,  $\chi^2$  and F-distributions in testing, Analysis of Variance in Linear Models, Methods of Estimation (Minimum Variance Method, Maximum Likelihood Estimation Method) and examples.

**UNIT IV: Sequential tests and Non-parametric Methods:** 

10 Hours

Sequential tests: Wald's Sequential Probability Ratio Test, OC and ASN functions (Binomial, Poisson and Normal).

Non-parametric Methods of testing: Sign test, Wilcoxon test, Mann-Whitney test and Kolmogorov one sample test.

## **Reference Books:**

## UNIT-I & II

- 1. C. R. Kothari, (1990): Research Methodology: Methods and Techniques. New Age International, 418p.
- 2. S. C. Sinha, A. K. Dhiman, (2002): Research Methodology, Ess Publications, 2 Volumes.
- 3. Kumar Ranjit, (2005): Research Methodology. A step by step Guide for Beginners, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition, Pearson Education.
- 4. Alasdair MacIntyre, (1967): A short story of Ethics, London.
- 5. P. Chaddah, (2018): Ethics in Competitive Research, Do not get scooped; Do not get plagiarized, ISBN: 978-9387480865.
- 6. Indian National Science Academy (INSA) Ethics in Science and Education, Research and Government (2019) ISBN: 978-81939482 http://www.insaindia.res.in/pdf/Ethics Books.pdf.

## UNIT-III & IV:

- 7. Bhat, B.R.: Modern Probability Theory, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition, New Age India.
- 8. Rao, C.R.: Linear Statistical Inference
- 9. Rohatgi, V.K.(1988): Introduction to Probability theory and Mathematical Statistics, Wiley Eastern.

10. Feller, W.: An Introduction to Mathematical Statistics.

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Paper-I: Research Methodology

UNIT I: Research problem and hypothesis

12 Hours

Formulation of Research Problem: Identification and formulating the research problem - Assessing the status of the problem - Independent, Dependent and Intervening variables, Experimental group and Control group- Formulating the objectives - The nature and types of hypothesis. Stating a hypothesis, Criteria of hypothesis and functions of hypothesis- Review of literature and patents - Identifying gap areas - Development of research plan: Exploration, description, diagnosis and experimentation.

Reporting and thesis writing: Preparation of manuscript for Publication of Research paper - Oral presentation - Importance of effective communication - Types of report and structure: Research paper, Research project proposal, GANTT Chart, Research project report, Thesis - Illustrations - Pictures and tables - Footnotes - Acknowledgement - Bibliography - Citation styles.

**UNIT II: Research publications** 

12 Hours

Publication ethics: Definition - Introduction and importance - Best practices/standards - Setting initiatives and guidelines - Conflicts of interest - Violation of publication ethics, authorship and contributor ship - Intellectual property right, Publication misconduct, complaints and appeals - Predatory publishers and journals - Plagiarism and Software tools (Turnitin, Urkund and Ouriginal)

Research metrics: Open Access and Subscribed journals - Indexed journals - Science Citation Index (SCI) - Engineering Index (EI) - Scopus Indexing - Consortium for Academic and Research Ethics (CARE) listed journals - SNIP, SJR, IPP, Cite Score. Impact factor of journal as per journal citation report - Individual and Institutional Metrics: Definition and Importance of h-index, g-index, i10-index.

**UNIT III: Distribution Theory and Statistical Methods:** 

14 Hours

**Distribution Theory:** Probability Distributions-Binomial, Poisson, Negative Binomial, Geometric, Multinomial distributions. Uniform, Normal, Exponential, Cauchy, Weibull, Gamma, Beta distribution of I and II types, Bi-variate and Multivariate Normal.

Exact Sampling distributions-t,  $\chi^2$  and F- distributions. Asymptotic Distributions of the correlation and regression coefficients.

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