LAYOUT OF RESEARCH REPORT

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INTRODUCTION

- Research report is considered as a major component of the research study, the research task remains incomplete till the research has been presented or written.
- Writing of reports is the last step in a research study and requires a set of skills somewhat different from those called for the respect of the earlier stages of research.
- This task should be accomplished by the researcher with utmost care.
- He may seek the assistance and guidelines of the experts for the purpose.
- Any research report is to be conveyed to end-user or recorded for future use.
- So, the format of a research report has three main divisions.
 - > Preliminary Selection.
 - > Main text.
 - > Reference section.

PRELIMANARY SECTION

TITLE PAGE: The first page of the report is the title page. They include,

- The title of the research study,
- The name of the researcher,
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ABSTRACT

Abstract give an overview of the research report outlining the title of the research, objectives, shorting comings of the existing literatures, need for the further research, proposed measure of performance and method, result of comparison and highlights of inference.

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- Table of contents is the catalogue of the research report which summarizes every aspect of the report and enables to quickly located each section of report.
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MAIN TEXT

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INTRODUCTION: In the chapter introduction the nature of the problem is to be stated and analyzed. It usually includes:

- Statement of the problem.
- Significance of the problem.
- Purpose of the study,
- Assumptions and delimitations,
- Definition of the concept,
- Objective of the study.
- Hypothesis.



REVIEW OF LITERATURE

• This section reviews the important literature related to the study.

• Previous research studies are abstracted and significant writing of authors in the area Under study is reviewed.

• This part of the report provides a background for the development of the present study and brings the reader up.

RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

- Research methodology aims to finalise the activities of research design and data collection procedure which include
 - Selection of the research approach,
 - Design of sampling plan,
 - Design of experiment,
 - Design of questionnaire,
 - Determination of sample size,
 - And design of sampling frame.



ANALYSIS OF DATA

• In this section, the data collected with the help of research methodology are analyzed.

• Results obtained and discussed.

• The data has to be classified and tabulated and then treated with the scientific methods to get the results.

INFERENCES

- This is the most important portion of the report.
- The data collected in analysed and various inferences are drawn from it.
- Inferences are based on logical as well as reasoning.
- The report should contain not only the generalisations or inferences but also the basis upon which the inferences have been drawn.
- All sorts of proofs, numerical and logical must be given in support of theory that has advanced.

CONCLUSION

• In this section the main findings of the research investigation are presented and broader conclusions are drawn.

• Conclusion summarizes research findings, contribution of the study, limitations of the study, and scope for the future.

REFERENCE SECTION

This section includes bibliography, appendix and index.

APPENDICES: appendices should be enlisted in respect of all technical data such as questionnaires, sample information, mathematical derivatives etc.,

BIBLIOGRAPHY: It is the list of the sources of material reading used by the researchers. It is the acknowledgment of the authors and books from where the research has drawn materials or technique.

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