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REGULAR PROGRAMME

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INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question ONE and ANY OTHER TWO Questions

- Q1. You have been asked to carry out a study on the factors explaining crime in Ongata Rongai, Kajiado County, Kenya.
- a) Formulate four specific objectives **(6 marks)**
 - b) State four hypotheses that would support the study. State them both in null and alternative **(6 marks)**
 - c) State four research questions to be addressed by the study **(6 marks)**
 - d) Draw a conceptual framework to show the relationship between the various variables of the study **(6 marks)**
 - e) Give a detailed statement of the problem of the study **(6 marks)**
- Q2.
- a) Define the term research **(2 marks)**
 - b) State discuss and illustrate the utility of the following
 - i) Four reasons behind the importance of knowing how to carry out the research **(8 marks)**
 - ii) Six reasons as to why research is important for a socio-legal expert to master **(10 marks)**
- Q3.
- a) Define the term literature review **(2 marks)**
 - b) Outline the various formats that literature review can be presented in **(3 marks)**
 - c) Of what importance does literature review play in the research? Give at least five of them, using illustrations to support you arguments **(15 marks)**

- Q4. With illustrations, explain the various scales/levels of measurement used in research. **(20 marks)**
- Q5. a) Distinguish between qualitative and quantitative research designs. **(6 marks)**
- b) Discuss the main sources of secondary data in research. Use examples **(14 marks)**

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