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BMG 4101: PRINCIPLES OF MANAGEMENT

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS
SERIES: DECEMBER 2014
TIME: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer Question **ONE** (**Compulsory**) and any other **TWO** questions.
- Do not write on the question paper

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QUESTION 1 (Compulsory)

a) Briefly discuss **FIVE** functions of management.

(10 marks)

- b) Explain **FOUR** skills which managers should possess in order to perform their roles effectively. (8 marks)
- c) Discuss the extent to which management by objectives (MBO) is a solution to management problems. (12 marks)

QUESTION 2

- a) Briefly discuss the advantages and disadvantages of different strategies for resolving interpersonal conflict. (10 marks)
- b) Clearly, discuss the principal components of a good mission statement. (10 marks)

QUESTION 3

- a) What is the difference between a policy and a procedure? (10 marks)
- b) Outline the general principles which can help the manager to create appropriate policies. (10 marks)

QUESTION 4

- a) Differentiate between centralization and decentralization. (10 marks)
- b) Why is decentralization of value to management? (10 marks)

QUESTION 5

- a) Briefly discuss the major merits and demerits of group decision making. (10 marks)
- b) Explain principal reasons why an organization might find it necessary to change. (10 marks)