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END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION

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Instructions to Candidates

You should have the following for this examination

-Answer Booklet, examination pass and student ID

This paper consists of FIVE questions. Attempt question ONE (Compulsory) and any other TWO questions.

Do not write on the question paper.

Ouestion ONE

a) Peter Drucker, identified 7 sources of innovative opportunities. Explain

(14 marks)

b) Explain the possible development path taken by a new innovation.

(10 marks)

c) Discuss the fundamental characteristics of technology.

(6 marks)

Question TWO

a) Explain the differences between invention and innovation.

(10 marks)

b) Discuss the impact of technology on business.

(10 marks)

Ouestion THREE

a) 'Companies that seek to survive in the 21st Century must continuously innovate'. Justify this statement.

(12 marks)

b) Knowledge management is the collection of processes that govern the creation, dissemination and utilization of knowledge. Distinguish between, explicit and tacit knowledge.

(8 marks)

Question FOUR

a) Explain the objectives of managing innovations.

(12 marks)

b) Discuss the legal ways in which a firm can protect Intellectual Property.

(8 marks)

Question FIVE

a) Using an illustration, discuss Everett Roger's theory of technology diffusion.

(12 marks)

b) Business incubation model nurtures new innovations to survive in their early stages. Explain FOUR common services offered by business incubators.

(8 marks)