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(DCDC A09)

PROJECT INITIATION AND PLANNING

YEAR I SEMESTER 2

END SEMESTER EXAMS

SERIES: APRIL/MAY 2010.

TIME: 2½ HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. This paper consists of **TWO** sections; **A** and **B**.
2. Question **ONE** is Compulsory.
3. Answer any **TWO** questions from Section **B**.
4. Observe examination rules.

SECTION A

(Compulsory)

- Q.1 (a) Briefly explain the following terms:
- (i) Project's lifespan. (3 marks)
 - (ii) Project's stakeholders. (3 marks)
 - (iii) Project's feasibility study. (3 marks)
- (b) A good project is one where everybody is involved from the beginning, especially the targeted group. In view of this statement explain;
- (i) The importance of a team in project management. (6 marks)
 - (ii) Any three methods that can be used to involve members of a community into a project. (9 marks)
 - (iii) Any three sources of project idea. (6 marks)

SECTION B

(Attempt any **TWO** questions in this section)

- Q.2 (a) Explain what you understand by a project's life cycle. (4 marks)
- (b) Identify and briefly explain the various phases of a project's life cycle. (16 marks)
- Q.3 A project like any other business enterprise requires thorough planning for it to succeed. In light of this statement explain;
- (i) The importance of project planning. (6 marks)
 - (ii) Briefly discuss the key steps in planning a project undertaking. (14 marks)

- Q.4 (a) Project's components consists of time, cost and quality. Explain the importance of each and how you can plan them to ensure success of your project. (18 marks)
- (b) Identify any **TWO** characteristics of a good project. (2 marks)
- Q.5 (a) Discuss the various factors that lead to change in project plan. (10 marks)
- (b) Explain what you understand by 'project control'. (4 marks)
- (c) Explain the importance of control in projects. (6 marks)