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END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

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TIME: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

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

This paper consists of Three printed pages.

QUESTION 1 (Compulsory)

- a) Differentiate between the following .
 - i) ROM and RAM
 - ii) OCR and OMR
 - iii) Data and information
 - iv) Application software and system software. **(8marks)**
- b) Clearly describe FIVE merits of the computer use in business organisation **(10mark)**
- c) Business organisation thrive on good Information. Identify and explain any FIVE characteristics of good Information systems. **(10marks)**

QUESTION 2

- a) Define a computer clearly. **(2marks)**
- b) List FOUR factors to consider before buying a printer. **(4marks)**
- c) Explain the main functions of the operating system. **(4marks)**
- d) Write short notes the following software
 - i) Sytem software
 - ii) Application software
 - iii) Programinig language **(9marks)**
- e) Define computer Hardware **(1marks)**

QUESTION 3

- a) Clealy explain the benefits of using electronic data processing systems in business organization. **(10mark)**
- b) Classify computers according to the following categories
 - i) Size
 - ii) Functionality
 - iii) Purpose
- c) What is the main difference between computers in the 1st generation 1947-1957 and those in the 4th generation? **(4marks)**

QUESTION 4

- a) Clearly describe the activities under the following system functions.
 - i) Input
 - ii) Processing
 - iii) Control element
 - iv) Output
 - v) Storage **(10marks)**
- b) List and explain any FIVE attributes of a good information/information systems **(10marks)**

QUESTION 5

- a) Define the term computer networks. **(2marks)**
- b) Explain any FOUR network types that you know. **(8marks)**
- c) Using well labeled diagram describe the following network topologies.
 - i) Ring
 - ii) Star

- iii) Tree
- iv) Mesh
- v) Bus

(10marks)