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**COURSE CODE: SCS 214**

**COURSE TITLE: MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS**

**EXAM VENUE: STREAM:**

**DATE: EXAM SESSION:**

**TIME: 2.00 HOURS**

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**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 1. Answer Question 1 (Compulsory) and ANY other two questions.**
- 2. Candidates are advised not to write on the question paper.**
- 3. Candidates must hand in their answer booklets to the invigilator while in the examination room.**

### QUESTION 1 [30 MARKS]

- a. Compare the following terms:
- i) Information Systems and Information Technology (2 marks)
  - ii) Management Information System and Databases (2 marks)
- b. How can one use technology to help an organization to achieve strategic advantage of information systems. (4 marks).
- c. i) Name and briefly describe four types of Information Systems in any organization. (8 marks)
- d. Explain the following terms as used as Management functions :
- i. Processes (1 mark)
  - ii. Planning (1 mark)
  - iii. Organizing (1 mark)
  - iv. Staffing (1 mark)
  - v. Controlling (1 mark)
- e. Ideally what is the role of information system in any organization? (3 marks)
- f. State and describe the three main levels of management in an organization (6 marks)

### QUESTION 2 [20 MARKS]

- a. Describe the three Components of a System (6 marks)
- b. Outline Characteristics of Good Information (5 marks)
- c. Explain a system and describe the following systems: (1 marks)
- i. Dynamic System (2 marks)
  - ii. Cybernative System (2 marks)
  - iii. Open System (2marks)
  - iv. Adoptive System (2 marks)

### QUESTION 3 [20 MARKS]

- a. What is the difference between Data and Information and why must data be processed into information? (4 marks)
- b. Describe Network and devices used as a support for the operations in communicating data (10 marks)

- c. Describe the three types of Information systems (6 marks)

**Question 4 [20 marks]**

- a. Identify six challenges to an organizations information systems (6 marks)
- b. Match the following phrases with corresponding levels: (6 marks)
- i. Strategic - Long Range Planning → Lower management
  - ii. Operational – Day to day activities → Middle management
  - iii. Tactical – short range planning → Top management
- c. State and give brief description of the four types of information (8marks)

**Question 5 [20 marks]**

- a. State and briefly describe the three types of information is needed in Human Resources Management. (6 marks)
- b. Compare manual data capturing automated one using computer terminals (6marks)
- c. There is a class of systems known collectively as computer based information systems (CBIS). A few of them are abbreviated as follows:
- i. (TPS)
  - ii. (MIS)
  - iii. (DSS)
  - vi. (OAS)
- Required, write the abbreviation of each to their full meanings (8 marks)