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**FORENSICS AND SECURITY**

**SPECIAL RESITS EXAMINATIONS**

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**MAIN REGULAR**

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**COURSE CODE: IIT 3218**

**COURSE TITLE: NUMBER THEORY**

**EXAM VENUE: STREAM: (BSc. )**

**DATE: EXAM SESSION:**

**TIME: 2.00 HOURS**

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**Instructions:**

- 1. Answer question 1 (Compulsory) and ANY other 2 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 ONE (COMPULSORY) [30 MARKS]

- (a). Define a rational number and a prime number. (4 marks)
- (b). Describe a good integer. (3 marks)
- (c). State the well-ordering axiom. (3 marks)
- (d). State the principal of mathematical induction. (4 marks)
- (e). Show that there is no rational number whose square is 3. (6 marks)
- (f). Define Diophantine equation and hence solve  $23x + 29y = 1$ . (5 marks)
- (g). Determine all positive integers  $n$  for which  $n + 1 | n^2 + 1$ . (5 marks)

- 2 (a). Prove that if  $a^k \equiv 1 \pmod n$ , where  $a$  is a positive integer  $k \leq n$ , then  $a$  is relatively prime to the positive integer  $n$ . (18 marks)
- (b). Describe the Legendre symbol as used in number theory. (2 marks)

- 3 (a). Prove that for all  $g \neq 0$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ ,  $g$  is such that  $g^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod p$ . (10 marks)
- (b). Let  $\gcd(a, n) = 1$ . Prove that for a  $\phi$ -function mapping  $\mathbb{N}$  to  $\mathbb{C}$ , we have  $a^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod n$ . (10 marks)

4. State and prove the Bachet-Bezout theorem. (20 marks)

5. (a). Prove that every integer greater than one is a product of prime numbers. (18 marks)
- (b). State two applications of number theory to computing. (2 marks)