

BBM 102R: FOUNDAMENTALS OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

MAIN EXAMINATION

MAIN, TOWN AND SOTIK CAMPUSES

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ATTEMPT QUESTION ONE AND ANY OTHER THREE

TIME: 3 HOURS

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**Question One**

- a) Giving examples in each case differentiate between a computer hardware and software. [4 Marks]
- b) Mention any two inputs and two output units of a computer. [4 Marks]
- c) Differentiate between a virus and a worm. [5 Marks]
- d) Identify any **four** factors that you consider when acquiring a computer system. [4 Marks]
- e) Identify any five factors that are considered before acquiring a computer system. [5 Marks]
- f) Differentiate between RAM and ROM indicating the characteristics of each. [3 Marks]

**Question Two**

- a) What is office automation? Give and explain any three benefits of office automation systems. [6 Marks]
- b) Identify and explain any **four** weaknesses of the traditional computer file and justify why modern organizations are now using database management systems. [9 Marks]

**Question Three**

- a) Identify the **five** major components of an information system. [5 Marks]
- c) Give any **four** benefits of computer based information systems. [4 Marks]
- d) How is a primary storage different from a secondary storage? Explain using examples. [6 Marks]

**Question Four**

- a) Assuming you are a computer applications manager in a company, explain how you will you manage the security challenges facing computers? [5 Marks]  
*locks, passwords, security policies, security officers, T.Vs and cameras*
- b) Identify and explain the major functions of an operating system. [10 Marks]

**Question Five**

a) Illustrate using diagrams the difference between following network topologies:-

i) Star topology

ii) Ring topology

iii) Bus topology

[9 Marks]

b) Illustrate the major difference between System Software and Application software citing basic Applications of each.

[6 Marks]

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