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KIRIRI WOMENS' UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION, 2019/2020 ACADEMIC YEAR
FOURTH YEAR, FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION
FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
(BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION)

Date: 13th December, 2019
Time: 11.00am – 1.00pm

KPS 400 - PURCHASING AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

ANSWER QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Define the term “electronic purchasing” (2 Marks)
- b) Outline four basic purchasing functions in an organization (4 Marks)
- c) Explain the challenges of manual procurement procedures towards organizational performance (4 Marks)
- d) Outline five advantages of a computerized inventory management system (5 Marks)
- e) Outline five Specific Information, Communication and Technology Applications in Supply Chain Management Functions (5 Marks)
- f) Explain five Internet Tools and Protocols that have enhanced Electronic Procurement and Replaced Traditional Procurement processes (5 Marks)
- g) Differentiate between electronic business and electronic commerce (5 Marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss seven cost saving benefits of choosing and implementing an electronic purchasing software. (7 Marks)
- b) Discuss four types of electronic market places. (8 Marks)
- c) Discuss while giving examples five advantages of electronic commerce for retailers and businesses (5 Marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss five sources of information when purchasing goods, works and service
(5 Marks)
- b) Discuss the manual procedures of performing traditional purchasing
(10 Marks)
- c) Discuss the electronic procurement process tools and protocols in procurement and supply chain management.
(5 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) How effective does use of computerized procurement systems does help a procuring organization to achieve in the management of their routine tasks?
(10 Marks)
- b) Discuss five potential cost savings areas when implementing and using electronic purchasing as compared to manual purchasing
(10 Marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Outline seven Advantages of Inventory Management Software in an Organization
(14 Marks)
- b) Outline six Specific Information, Communication and Technology Applications in Supply Chain Management Functions
(6 Marks)