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FOR THE CERTIFICATE IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

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Date: 09TH AUGUST 2023
Time: 8:30AM – 10:30AM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

ANSWER QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Computers perform five major operations, name them (5 Marks)
- b) State and briefly explain the computers under the classification by purpose (4 Marks)
- c) Define the following terms (5 Marks)
- i) Desktop
 - ii) Taskbar
 - iii) Icons
 - iv) Folder
 - v) Start Menu
- d) State and briefly explain three factors that will influence the performance of CPU (6 Marks)
- e) Explain any five major application areas of computers (5 Marks)
- f) State any five functions of an operating system in a computer (5 Marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) What is meant by the following terms? (8 Marks)
- i) Computer Architecture
 - ii) Peripheral devices
 - iii) Worksheet
 - iv) Workbook
- b) State four reasons why you would advice a government to embrace computerization (4 Marks)
- c) Describe the importance of Ms Power Point as one of the application software (2 Marks)
- d) Highlight the steps for Inserting Page Numbers in a word document (4 Marks)
- e) State the two characteristics of good spreadsheet software (2 Marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) State and briefly explain any two accessories provided by Ms Windows (4 Marks)
- b) Define the following terms (4 Marks)
- i) Formula
 - ii) Function
- c) State and briefly explain three types of translators (6 Marks)

- d) How can one perform the following tasks in excel (6 Marks)
- i) Rename a worksheet
 - ii) Adding column
 - iii) Merging cells

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Give the full meaning of the following acronyms as used in computers (5 Marks)
- i) OCR
 - ii) OMR
 - iii) MICR
 - iv) EPROM
 - v) ALU
- b) Briefly explain five benefits of computer networking (5 Marks)
- c) State and explain the two types of software (4 Marks)
- d) State any six effects of Viruses (6 Marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain different features of standard word processor (10 Marks)
- b) Explain two functions of query object in a database programs (4 Marks)
- c) Explain three characteristics of a primary key field in database system (6 Marks)