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DIPLOMA IN HOSPITALITY AND TOURISM MANAGEMENT

DHT 003 - INTRODUCTION TO MICRO-COMPUTERS

Date: 9th August, 2016.
Time: 3.30pm – 5.30pm

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

ANSWER QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Differentiate between the following terms;
- i) Data and information
 - ii) Computer Peripheral and Computer hardware
 - iii) RAM and ROM
 - iv) Computer security and computer virus
 - v) Columns and Rows
- (10 Marks)
- b) Differentiate between primary storage and secondary storage? (4 Marks)
- c) State and explain any four characteristic of computers (8 Marks)
- d) Discuss the major categories of computers based on their area of application (4 Marks)
- e) Explain any two mechanisms you can apply to enforce security computers in an organization? (4 Marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Using examples differentiate between system software and application software. (4 Marks)
- b) State the functions of the following computer components indicating whether it is an input or output device;
- i) Printer
 - ii) Mouse
 - iii) Monitor

(6 Marks)

- c) With the aid of a diagram, explain the basic structure of the CPU focusing on its functional components. (10 Marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss the generation of computers focusing on the major technological changes. (10 Marks)
- b) Discuss any five effects of computerization. (5 Marks)
- c) Using examples, differentiate between a formula and a function? (5 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Computers have played a major role in today's society and thus have been used in wide areas. Briefly discuss any two specific areas where computers have and are being used. (4 Marks)
- b) With the aid of diagrams, explain the following types of computer network topologies giving their advantages and disadvantages. (12 Marks)
- c) Differentiate between warm booting and cold booting? (4 Marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) State and explain any four functions of an operating system. (8 Marks)
- b) Give any three Benefits of using database to store information. (6 Marks)
- c) Define a computer network and discuss any two advantages of computer networks (6 Marks)