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(A Constituent College of Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture & Technology)

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION APRIL-2015

EXAMINATION FOR THE DIPLOMA IN CO-OPERATIVE MANAGEMENT

UNIT TITLE: COMPUTER APPLICATIONS

DATE: 27TH APRIL, 2015

TIME: 9.00 A.M. – 11. 00 A.M.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer question **ONE (compulsory)** and any other **TWO** questions

QUESTION ONE

- (a) Explain the major components of the CPU. (5 marks)
- (b) distinguish the following terms:
- LAN and MAN networks
 - General purpose components and special purpose computer
 - System software and application softwares. (6 marks)
- (c) Explain **TWO** ways in which computers are used in the health sector. (4 marks)
- (d) Outline **FIVE** effects of computer viruses on a computer system. (5 marks)
- (e) Explain **FIVE** advantages of computer networks to a co-operative society. (5 marks)
- (f) Outline **FIVE** classes of application softwares. (5 marks)

QUESTION TWO

- (a) Discuss the computer generations noting the difference in hardware and software capabilities. (10 marks)
- (b) Explain **FIVE** functions of operating systems. (10 marks)

QUESTION THREE

- (a) Discuss **FIVE** major applications of the internet in the co-operative societies. (10 marks)
- (b) Explain **FIVE** factors affecting the performance of a computer system. (10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR

- (a) Discuss **FIVE** security measures that a co-operative society can implement to safeguard their computer and information resources. (10 marks)
- (b) Explain the term network topology and describe with the use of diagram **THREE** typed of networks topologies. (10 marks)

QUESTION FIVE

- (a) Explain **FIVE** benefits to a co-operative society that chooses to use proprietary softwares. (10 marks)
- (b) Explain **FIVE** major impacts of computer systems to a co-operative society. (10 marks)