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#### INTERNAL PUBLIC RELATIONS

IJM 7202

# **Main Examination Paper**

**April 2017** 

This examination paper consists of 3 pages

Time Allowed: 3 hours

Total Marks: 100

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## **INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Section A is compulsory.

2. Answer any two questions from section B

3. Start each answer on a new page.

4. Poor spelling and grammar will be penalized.

## **MARK ALLOCATION**

QUESTION	MARKS
1.	40
2.	30
3.	30
4.	30
5.	30

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#### **SECTION A**

### **QUESTION 1**

a) Explain the following terms as applied to Internal Public Relations:

i. Vertical communication (5 Marks)

ii. Quasi-vertical communication (5 Marks)

iii. Horizontal communication (5 Marks)

b) To what extent does organisational culture influence the above types of organisational

communication? (25 Marks)

TOTAL [40 Marks]

#### **SECTION B**

### **QUESTION 2**

Welch and Jackson (2007) suggest that one of the key objectives of Internal Public Relations is promoting a positive sense of belonging in employees. Using practical examples, illustrate activities that an organisation can do in order to achieve this objective. [30 Marks]

### **QUESTION3**

"Culture has a pervasive influence on how an organization functions. It determines how an organization responds to its business environment, how it organizes its work, how it structures its day-to-day activities, and how it deploys and rewards its managers' and employees' skills and talents" (Sanchez, 2006:33).

How relevant is the study of organizational culture in the development of internal communications strategies given the above statement? [30 Marks]

### **QUESTION 4**

Outline and give an overview of the key issues of internal communications planning that ensure that internal communication positively impacts the achievement of business goals.

[30 Marks]

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# **QUESTION 5**

- a) Discuss how you would use electronic media to facilitate internal communication within an organisation.
  (20 Marks)
- b) What limitations are you likely to face in the adoption and use of electronic media in internal communication? (10 Marks)

TOTAL [30Marks]