NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FACULTY OF COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION SCIENCE DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (HONOURS) DEGREE IN LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE

PART I FIRST SEMESTER JANUARY 2011 EXAMINATIONS

ILI 1106: AUTOMATION OF LIBRARY PROCESSES

TIME: 3 HOURS

Instruction to candidates

- 1. Answer any four (4) questions.
- 2. Each question carries 25 marks.
- 3. Importance is attached to accuracy, clarity of expression and legible handwriting.
- 1. Justify the need for automation in modern day information management.
- 2. Discuss the impact of automation on staff in an information centre of your choice.
- 3. Discuss the several options that are available for an organisation to gain the support of its users during and after automation.
- 4. Envision a system that you would want for the automation of a Reader Services Department in an academic library.
- 5. Even after acquiring the best software and hardware on the market, automation projects may still fail. Discuss.
- 6. With expert systems and artificial intelligence in mind, discuss the future trends in the development of libraries and automated systems.

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