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 AUGUST 2011 SUPPLEMENTARY 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. In line with the higher needs and expectations of users in the information age, discuss the new roles that librarians should play in order to remain relevant.
- 2. Discuss the impact of automation on organisational structures.
- 3. Analyse the steps in the planning process for automated systems.
- 4. Justify the usefulness of automated systems in decision making process in information centres.
- 5. Justify the costs and benefits of having an automated system where a book is a scarce resource.
- 6. Discuss the criteria for evaluating various access modes in an electronic environment.

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