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 2013 EXAMINATIONS

ILI 1106: AUTOMATION OF LIBRARY PROCESSES

TIME: 3 HOURS

Instructions to candidates

- 1. Answer any four (4) questions.
- 2. Each question carries 25 marks.
- 3. Importance is attached to accuracy, clarity of expression and legibility of handwriting.
- Give a detailed discussion of the challenges faced by information centres when automating their processes. [25 marks]
 Discuss how libraries have benefited from automation. [25 marks]
 Discuss in detail the components of an integrated library management system. [25 marks]
 Explain in detail how automation has affected the role of the librarian in information centres. [25 marks]
 Critically analyse how ServQual and LibQual are used to measure library services.

[25 marks]

6. The local Member of Parliament has proposed the development of an automated community information centre. The local counselor has requested you to write a report on how automation will be carried out. Write such a report listing in detail all automation stages. Your report should also indicate the hardware and software requirements and the requisite skills for the information centre personnel. [25 marks]

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