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ILI 1207: INFORMATION AND SOCIETY

TIME: 3 HOURS

Instructions to candidates

- 1. Answer any <u>four</u> (4) questions.
- 2. Give equal time to all questions you choose.
- 3. Each question carries 25 marks.
- 4. Importance is attached to accuracy, clarity and legible handwriting.
- 1. Our modern society is often referred to as an information society. Is this claim justified?
- 2. Discuss likely consequences of abandoning indigenous languages in favour of the English Language.
- 3. Discuss the merits of providing community libraries in rural settings instead of separate public and school libraries.
- 4. Identify and discuss arguments that are often used to restrict certain categories of information so that they are not accessible to children.
- 5. Discuss whether individuals and communities starved of information can prosper in terms of their development.
- 6. Can a nation be sovereign if it lacks information for the purpose of telling the world its story? Discuss.