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 SECOND SEMESTER MAY 2011 EXAMINATIONS

ILI 1207: INFORMATION AND SOCIETY

TIME: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- 1. Question no. 1 is compulsory.
- 2. Answer any three questions from questions 2 to 6.
- 3. The total number of questions to be answered is four, including question no. 1.
- 4. Give equal time to all questions you choose.
- 5. Each question carries 25 marks.
- 6. Importance is attached to clear presentation of ideas, good expression and legibility of handwriting.
- 1. No society can exist in the absence of information and language. Discuss this statement. (25 marks)
- 2. Explicitly select a specialised information institution and discuss how that institution promotes human development. (25 marks)
- 3. Access to information is often considered to be a human right in a democratic society. In what circumstances is it legitimate to curtail this right? (25 marks)
- 4. After indicating the context, identify a special category of people and discuss measures you would adopt as an information professional, to ensure that the group gains maximum benefit from information resources under your control. (25 marks)
- 5. Nations that do not control the Internet are not sovereign. Critique this claim. (25 marks)
- 6. Assess the impact of censorship and propaganda on both human and national development. (25 marks)