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

PART II FIRST SEMESTER JANUARY 2011 EXAMINATIONS

ILI 2104: PRODUCTION AND PUBLISHING OF INFORMATION MEDIA 1

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. Identify and discuss the impact, limitations and potential, of possible and different types of information media in a knowledge society.
- 2. "The state is not only the most important but often the sole custodian of information in those areas of fundamental national interest." Critique this statement in light of the state's obligation to inform, its right to withhold information and citizens' right to be informed.
- 3. Assess the information process in Zimbabwe from generation, intermediation to reception showing how access to information in both urban and rural areas is affected.
- 4. "Use of language is not accidental. It is the result of historical events and is the mark of an established power in a country." Discuss this statement in relation to the operations and outputs of the publishing sector in Zimbabwe.
- 5. Justify, with examples, the reasons why it is said that literacy can be specified by time, country and occupation of an individual. The examples should be from Zimbabwe.
- 6. "In these days of increased tension, crisis of identity, threat of disintegration, the writer's civic position, the class and popular quality of his creative work becomes especially vital because society's moral, political and intellectual climate are in no small measures determined by literature and art." Examine this statement with regards to the role of the writers in society.

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