NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FACULTY OF COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION SCIENCE DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE

MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE

STAGE I FIRST SEMESTER DECEMBER 2008 EXAMINATIONS

ILI 5103 CONTEMPORARY ISSUES IN LIBRARY AND INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

Time: 3 hours + 30 minutes reading

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- 1. Question I in Section A is compulsory.
- 2. Answer question 1 and any other 3 questions from Section B.
- 3. Importance is attached to accuracy, clarity of expression and legible handwriting.
- 4. Each question carries 25 marks.

SECTION A: compulsory

1. In recent years, globalisation has been associated with increasing inequality within and between countries, and with a large share of the world's population living in poverty. Assess the validity of this claim.

SECTION B: answer any 3 questions

- 2. In relation to the meaning of management, how does management become an abstraction designed to convert disorganised resources into useful and effective goal accomplishment.
- 3. In an integrated classroom, you could find a number of students with different abilities and disabilities. How would you, as a teacher, modify your classroom, syllabus and your teaching style to adapt to the individual needs of all the students?
- 4. Many people believe that an antithesis is emerging in librarianship with regard to the question of intellectual freedom. That is, a conflict exists between the intellectual freedom advocates and the advocates for humane censorship. Assuming that the conflict exists, justify your position on the two schools of thought.
- 5. Discuss how an information professional can enhance the development of the modes of language in order to promote personal growth, cultural identity and preservation and national development.
- 6. Discuss how the politics of information can affect the human condition with regard to both the rich and the poverty stricken.