NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

FACULTY OF COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION SCIENCE DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE

MSC IN LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE

STAGE II FIRST SEMESTER DECEMBER 2005 SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS

ILI 5106 INFORMATION POLICY STUDIES

TIME: 3 HOURS + 30 MIN READING

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- 1. ANSWER ANY **FOUR** QUESTIONS.
- 2. GIVE EQUAL TIME TO ALL THE QUESTIONS.
- 3. EACH QUESTION CARRIES 25 MARKS.
- 1. Critique the view that Information Policy Studies, as a discipline, qualifies to be labelled a "Science of muggling through". [25 marks]
- 2. Discuss the value of having an explicit national information policy.

 [25 marks]
- 4. Identify and discuss issues that cause tension between private interests and public interests when society attempts to formulate information policy.

 [25 marks]
- 5. Assess the likely impact of Information and Communication Technology on the cultures and values of people in the developing world. [25 marks
- 6. Economic entities often have policies that enhance their missions. Discuss issues that are likely to emerge if national governments attempt to impose information policies on all enterprises within their borders. [25 marks]
- 7. Discuss how national information policies can be crafted so that human rights and national security concerns are not compromised. [25 marks]

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