NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

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BACHELOR OF SCIENCE HONOURS DEGREE IN PUBLISHING STUDIES

PART I SECOND SEMESTER MAY 2013 EXAMINATIONS

IPU 4213 BOOK MARKETING: DISTRIBUTION CHANNEL MANAGEMENT

TIME 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- 1. ANSWER QUESTION 1 AND ANY OTHER THREE (3) QUESTIONS
- 2. QUESTION 1 CARRIES 40 MARKS AND EACH OF THE OTHER QUESTIONS CARRIES 20 MARKS
- 3. IMPORTANCE IS ATTACHED TO ACCURACY, CLARITY OF EXPRESSION AND LEGIBLE HANDWRITING
- 1(a) With the aid of appropriate examples, distinguish between the following marketing channel concepts:
 i. Intensive distribution and exclusive distribution. (3 marks)
 ii. Product flow and ownership flow. (3 marks)
 iii. Vertical marketing system and corporate marketing system. (3 marks)
- iv. Vertical conflict and horizontal conflict. (3 marks)
- (b) Sorting, one of the key functions of the marketing channel, can be divided into 4 basic processes. Identify and explain them, citing your examples from a textbook publishing company. (12 marks)
- (c) In the context of book marketing, discuss **4** advantages and **4** disadvantages of franchising. (**16 marks**)
- 2. Using relevant examples, discuss **5** bases of power in a book distribution channel.

(20 marks)

- 3. Evaluate the major sources of conflict in a book marketing channel. (20 marks)
- 4. Discuss both the upstream and downstream motives for forming strategic alliances in the context of book distribution. (20 marks)

- 5. Examine **5** of the key aspects of customer service in the context of the book distribution channel. (20 marks)
- 6. Coughlan et al (2002) identify **5** phases through which marketing channel relationships develop. Critically evaluate them in the context of a firm that publishes and markets educational materials. (**20 marks**)

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