



NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

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ORAL HISTORY AND INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE SYSTEMS

IIM 1206

Special Examination Paper

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This examination paper consists of 3 pages.

Time Allowed : 3 hours
Total Marks : 100
Examiner's Name : Mrs N. L. S. Makoni

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Answer any **four** questions.
2. Each question carries a total of **25 marks**.

MARK ALLOCATION

QUESTION	MARKS
1.	25
2.	25
3.	25
4.	25
5.	25
6.	25

1. Compare and contrast indigenous knowledge and scientific knowledge. **[25 marks]**

2. Explain the steps you would take in order to conduct an oral history interview. **[25 marks]**

3. Discuss the threats that can potentially lead to the extinction of indigenous knowledge and suggest possible solutions that can ensure the preservation of such knowledge. **[25 marks]**

4. How can totems and taboos be useful in protecting the environment as well as the fauna and flora of the indigenous people? **[25 marks]**

5. Describe how you would utilise indigenous knowledge in growing and harvesting food from the environment. **[25 marks]**

6. Recommend for possible inclusion as innovations or inventions those practices associated with indigenous knowledge systems suitable for commercial benefit by NUST Innovation Hub. **[25 marks]**

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