NATIONAL SCHOOL OF BUSINESS MANAGEMENT SE201.3 – System Analysis and Design Model Paper

Case Study for the questions given below.

BRIGHT WAY University

BRIGHT WAY is a university offering various higher education programs. The university employs a young crowd of academic and non-academic staff members those who run the daily works related to student management, academic management, and other supportive activities.

BRIGHT WAY wants to implement a computerized information system to support the management of their daily works which is currently handled manually. This decision is made as the staff members already use personal computers for their daily work and the university is financially stable. This system will include student admission management, and lecture management as described below in more detail.

If a student wishes to enroll with BRIGHT WAY, he has to apply for admission online. For this the students first fill in an online form. After a student has submitted the online form, a PDF document is generated and the student is requested to download it, sign it, and send it by post together with the supportive documents. If the student satisfies all the admission criteria he/she receives his enrollment details via email. Else a rejection notification is sent to the student by email. The admissions clerk uploads the supportive documents sent by students to the system and these documents are saved in student database. When student visits the university premises for seminars, the admission clerk generate the Student ID and Academic Schedules through the system and hand them over to the respective student.

The program manager is responsible for managing all the seminars occurring at BRIGHT WAY. At the beginning of a new semester, he starts start planning the semester. For this he enters all the information about upcoming seminars to the system. Using this information the system generates the semester timetables and lecturer agreements and store them in Timetable data base and Agreements data base respectively. Program manager downloads the generated timetables and lecturer agreements. Students and lecturers receive the timetables via email. Lecturers can sign the respective agreements at program manager's office before commencing the semester.

Question 01

- 1) Produce a context level data flow diagram to represent management of the daily work at BRIGHT WAY described in the case study.
- 2) Produce the Level 0 data flow diagram based on the answer you gave for the part 1.

Question 02

Consider the following extra information about BRIGHT WAY. Using these information create a class diagram. Include minimum three attributes for each class.

"BRIGHTWAY consists of departments and offices. One office acts as a head-quarter of all offices. Lecturers and students are allocated to departments. One student/lecturer can have only one department. A lecturer has a name, address, phone number, e mail address, and salary. A student has also a name, etc., but no salary. A student, however, has an average mark (of the final marks of his or her seminars).

A seminar has a name and a number. When a student is enrolled in a seminar, the marks for this enrollment are recorded and the current average as well as the final mark can be obtained from the enrollment. One lecturer teaches one or two seminars. Each lecture has at least one and at most three seminars. There are two types of seminars: degree and diploma."

Question 03

- 1) Describe the following relationships that can be found in a use case diagram. You should provide the notation and an example for each relationship.
 - a. Extend
 - b. Include
- 2) Following are some extra information about student admission management, and lecture management at BRIGHT WAY. Using this information and the details given in the case study, create a use case diagram.

"When the admission clerk uploads the documents students sent by post or generating Student ID and Academic Schedules, he can get help from the step by step guidance provided by the system. To complete planning a semester, the program manager has to fill up a contact details form in the system for each academic staff member."

Question 04

- 1) What are the primary phases involved in the System Development Life Cycle (SDLC), and how does each phase contribute to the overall development process of an information system?
- 2) How do stakeholders collaborate and communicate throughout the SDLC to ensure project objectives are met effectively?
- 3) Discuss the importance of conducting a feasibility analysis before launching a new business venture. What are the potential consequences of neglecting this crucial step? Support your answer with relevant examples.

Question 05

- Compare and contrast traditional waterfall project methodology with agile project methodology. Discuss the key principles, advantages, and limitations of each approach. Provide examples of situations where one methodology might be more suitable than the other.
- 2) How do the V-Model and Rapid Application Development (RAD) methodologies differ in their approach to software development lifecycle, flexibility, documentation, user involvement, and suitability for various project scenarios?
- 3) What are the similarities and differences between the waterfall and parallel project management methodologies, particularly in terms of their approach to project planning, execution, and handling of dependencies?