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**Instructions to Candidates:**

- ◆ This paper is preceded by a **10-minutes** reading period. The supervisor will indicate when answering may commence.
- ◆ This paper has **3** questions with a total of 100 marks.
- ◆ Answer all the questions in the booklet given.
- ◆ This paper contains **4** pages including the cover page.
- ◆ Students are allowed to bring one side written A4 paper with them, pre-marked by the lecturer-in-charge

### **Question 1**

**(30 Marks)**

- a) “Oracle is so powerful and widely used in industry”. Briefly explain using key features of Oracle server? (4 marks)
- b) Sketch a component diagram of Oracle server (diagram should include all the components of Oracle instance and Oracle database). (6 marks)
- c) What are the information available in following files and memory locations? (8 marks)
  - i. Library cache
  - ii. Redo log buffer
  - iii. Control file
  - iv. Data files
- d) Differentiate Oracle instance and database. (4 marks)
- e) ABC Company is seeking to implement a new database system to address growing shortcomings in the current membership/contact management system. Company’s director board was decided to migrate to Oracle database. What are the steps that a database administrator should perform to implement Oracle database for the company (8 marks)

### **Question 2**

**(30 Marks)**

- a) List four components in Oracle database logical storage structure. (2 marks)
- b) Explain how logical storage structure match with physical structure with the support of a diagram. (5 marks)
- c) Using a diagram illustrates the Oracle database startup sequence indicating the states and file(s) used when switching from one state to another along with appropriate phases. (6 marks)
- d) A privilege is a right to execute a particular type of SQL statement or to access another user's object. Compare **system**, **object** and **role privileges** available in Oracle. (9 marks)

e) Figure 1 is a screenshot taken while the user trying to connect to the Oracle database.  
Provide answers to the following questions by referring to figure 1.

- i. An error message is indicated (figure 1) while trying to connect to the Oracle DB. Briefly explain the reason behind such an error? (4 marks)
  - ii. What you can do to eliminate the error? (4 marks)
- Hint: Provide suitable command to fix the issue

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$ sqlplus system@orcl

SQL*Plus: Release 12.2.0.1.0 Production on Mon Jul 25 07:14:15 2016

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Enter password: Enter password here
ERROR:
ORA-12541: TNS:no listener

Enter user-name:
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Figure 1

### **Question 3** (40 Marks)

- a) Briefly explain four primary background processes available in a running Oracle instance. (5 marks)
- b) What is the advantage of RMAN utility in Oracle backup and recovery management? (4 marks)
- c) Compare Undo Data Vs Redo Data in Oracle database management (6 marks)
- d) What are the significant benefits of Automatic Database Diagnostic Monitor (ADDM) with respect to Oracle database performance monitoring? (5 marks)
- e) A system administrator has developed a container database named '**DSACDB**' with a single instance. A pluggable database '**DSAPDB**' was created with '**Student\_Schema**' activated. The system admin uses '**sqlplus**' utility for administration purpose.

- i. Name a query to startup the database. (2 marks)
- ii. Produce a query to view HTTPS port number assign for '**DSACDB**'. (4 marks)
- iii. Identify a query to move from the container database to the pluggable database. (4 marks)
- iv. Write a query to set the port number of '**DSAPDB**' into **5503**. (4 marks)
- v. Construct a set of queries to create a role called '**APPDEV**' and assign '**CREATE SEQUENCE, CREATE TABLE** and **CREATE SESSION**' privileges to the '**APPDEV**' role. (6 marks)

Hint: You may have to write two queries. Use role password as '**dev123**'

**End of the Question Paper**