SAN Question Bank

MODULE 1

- 1. Explain the evolution of storage technology.
- 2. Explain the architecture and evolution of storage technology.
- 3. Define data center. Explain the core elements of data center.
- 4. Discuss the key characteristics of a data center, with a neat diagram.
- 5. What is a data center? Explain key characteristics of data center elements.
- 6. Discuss the tasks of key management activities.
- 7. Write short notes on i) Virtualization ii) Cloud Computing.
- 8. Discuss various software components that are essential parts of a host system.
- 9. Discuss file system and the process of mapping user files to disk storage.
- 10. Define Connectivity. Discuss the physical components of connectivity.
- 11. Discuss the interface protocols used for host to storage communication.
- 12. Write a short note on storage.
- 13. Discuss volume manager and compute virtualization in detail
- 14. Briefly Explain Disk Drive Components
- 15. Write a note on disk drive performance
- 16. What is DAS? Explain its benefits and Limitations.

MODULE 4

- 1. What is business Continuity? Explain BC planning life cycle with a neat diagram.
- 2. What is information availability? Explain how information availability is defined and measured.
- 3. Explain the causes of information unavailability and the consequences of downtime?
- 4. Explain the BC terminologies in detail.
- 5. Explain in brief BC technology solutions.
- 6. Define the following terminologies:
 - (i) MTBF (ii) RPO (iii) MTTR (iv) RTO
- 7. Describe the failure analysis in BC.
- 8. A system has three components and requires all three to be operational for 24 hours from Monday to Friday. Failure of component 1 occurs as follows:
 - Monday = No failure
 - Tuesday = 5 am to 7 am
 - Wednesday = No failure
 - Thursday = 4 pm to 8 pm
 - Friday = 8 am to 11 am

Calculate the MTBF and MTTR of component 1.

9. A system has three components and requires all three to be operational from 8 am to 5 pm

business hours, Monday to Friday. Failure of component 2 occurs as follows:

- Monday = 8 am to 11 am
- Tuesday = No failure
- Wednesday = 4 pm to 7 pm
- Thursday = 5 pm to 8 pm
- Friday = 1 pm to 2 pm

Calculate the availability of component 2.

- 10. Explain the reasons for which backup is performed.
- 11. With a neat diagram, explain the steps involved in backup and restore operation.
- 12. Briefly explain the different backup granularity levels?
- 13. Briefly explain different backup methods.
- 14. Explain the backup architecture?
- 15. Explain backup topologies in detail.
- 16. Briefly explain the concept of backup in NAS Environments.

17. Explain the reasons for which backup is performed.