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**SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**

**COURSE CODE: CIT722**

**COURSE TITLE: COMPUTER NETWORKS**

**INSTRUCTION: Answer any five questions out of Seven**

**Time: 3HOURS**

**1**

- a) Briefly describe the following network types:
  - i. **Local Area Network**
  - ii. **Metropolitan Area Network**
  - iii. **Wide Area Network**
- b) Distinguish between **point-to-point** and **broadcast** networks.
2.
  - a) Using sketches describe three different types of network **topologies**.
  - b) Briefly describe the OSI Reference model listing all its layers in their proper order.
3.
  - a) Write a brief note on each of the following:
    - i. Transmission Control Protocol (TCP)
    - ii. User Datagram Protocol (UDP)
  - b) Briefly explain what transmission medium is, listing three examples.
4.
  - a) Explain clearly what is meant by multiplexing, describing two techniques used to implement it.
  - b) Briefly explain what Media Access Control is describing two types of protocols used for it.
5.
  - a) Distinguish between **adaptive** and **non-adaptive** routing algorithms.
  - b) Write brief notes on each of the following routing algorithms:
    - i. Shortest Path routing
    - ii. Flooding
6. Briefly explain the function of a Domain Name System (DNS) in a TCP/IP Network.
  - a) Write a brief note on each of the following:
    - i. Switch
    - ii. Bridge
    - iii. Hub
    - iv. Router
7.
  - a) Briefly explain what an ATM Network is listing four of its benefits.
  - b) Write a brief note on each of the following types of communication using examples to illustrate:
    - i. Baseband
    - ii. broadband



