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SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT SCIENCES
MAY/JUNE 2012 EXAMINATION

MBF 744/844 Computer Networks and Internet
Times Allowed: 2:00 Hours

Instruction: a) Attempt any Three (3) questions of your choice. Each question carries 23.3 marks.

b) Present your answers legibly and logically using relevant examples

Questions:

1. The primary function of Transmission Control Protocol (TCP) is to turn an unreliable network into a reliable network that is free from lost and duplication of packets. Discuss 23.3 marks
2. (a) Explain precisely the causes and possible solutions to network congestion in telecommunication and networking. 9 marks
(b) Evaluate critically basic difference between Centralized Routing and Distributed Routing. 14.3 marks
3. (a) Explain the term 'Local Area Network 8.3 marks
(b) Discuss three (3) applications areas of a local area network. 15 marks
4. (a) Despite error prevention mechanism, errors still occur in data transfer over a communication line. Discuss three (3) basic error detection techniques. 12 marks
(b) Explain three (3) factors considered in designing data transmission systems. 11.3 marks

5. Explain the following in details:
- a) The World Wide Web. 8 marks
 - b) Electronic Mail (e-mail) 8 marks
 - c) Listserv. 7.3 marks