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**MARCH/APRIL 2016 EXAMINATION**

**SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**

**COURSE CODE:** CIT726  
**COURSE TITLE:** COMPUTERS IN SOCIETY

**Time Allowed:** 2 Hours    **Course Unit:** 2  
**Instruction:** Answer Any Four Questions

- 1a. Besides the cables linking the computers, there are three components that are present in most networks. Explain what they are. **9 marks**
- b. Explain what is meant by:
- i) web **4 ½ marks**
- ii) home page of web **4 marks**
2. When working with Windows, certain terms and terminologies are used to describe processes and concepts. Describe these terms:
- a) Folder      b) Icon      c) Mouse      d) Shortcut      e) Taskbar
- 17 ½ marks**
- 3a. In order that you may use a PC, state the first task you must perform. **marks**
- b. State four standard systems checks performed when turning on your PC. **4 marks**
- c. What must you do before turning off your computer? **2 marks**
- d. List the four hardware components of a typical computer system. **4 marks**
- e. Explain the most common output device used with a desktop computer. **3½marks**
- 4a. Briefly explain what is meant by word processing. **2 ½ marks**
- b. Enumerate six advantages of word processing. **6 marks**
- c. Fully explain what is meant by spreadsheet. **4 marks**
- d. Why is working with a paper spreadsheet can be complicated and time consuming? **5 marks**

- 5a. Explain the following terms:
- i) Data **3 marks**
  - ii) Information technology **3 marks**
  - iii) Computer **3 marks**
  - iv) Information and Communication Technology **4 marks**
- b. Outline three characteristics of the Information Age. **4 ½ marks**
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- 6a. Write short notes on the following: voice mail, email, teletext and telnet. **12 marks**
- b. List three areas of application of IT in information systems. **3 marks**
- c. Explain what is meant by the ethics of information technology. **2 ½ marks**