MCA/D-15 DATABASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS PAPER-MCA-14-34

Time Allowed: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 80

Note: Attempt Five questions in all, selecting at least one question from each Unit. Question No. 1 is compulsory. All questions carry equal marks.

Compulsory Question

- 1. Differentiate between the following concepts:
 - (a) Uncontrolled redundancy and Controlled Redundancy.
 - (b) Serial schedule, Non-serial schedule and recoverable schedule.
 - (c) Conceptual schema, Internal schema and logical schema.
 - (d) Candidate key, foreign key and super key.
 - (e) Trivial and Non-Trivial functional dependencies.
 - (f) Extension and Intension of a relation.
 - (g) 3NF and BCNF.
 - (h) UNDO and REDO operations

UNIT-I

- 2. (a) (i) "Database serves community users." Discuss.
 - (ii) Why is DBMS divided into different layers.
 - (b) "File systems lack data independence". Discuss.
- 3. (a) What do you understand by ER model? How does the ER diagram help in analysing the problem?
 - (b) Why are tuples in a relation not ordered?
 - (c) How do you ensure consistency in a database? Discuss.

UNIT-II

- 4. (a) What are views, constraints and indexes in SQL? Describe.
 - (b) Explain the terms:
 - (i) Set type
 - (ii) PCR type (iii) Singular Set
 - (iv) Set instance.
- 5. Describe main processes with respect to ORACLE system. How the storage is organised in Discuss.

UNIT-III

- 6. (a) What is meant by 'Normalization' What causes anomalies in a Database? Why they are considered bad for a database?
 - (b) A relation R is in 2NF but not in 3NF. Discuss various problems that will occur with each of the three basis operations namely Insertion. Deletion and Updating.
 - 7. Discuss the role of Information systems in any organisation? Also explain the process of database design.

UNIT-IV

- 8. (a) What do you mean by Concurrent processing in database? Describe in detail various concurrency control techniques.
- 9. (a) What is Serializability of schedules? Explain.
 - (b) What do you mean by threats in a database environment? List the potential threats could affect a database system.