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SECOND YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF BACHELOR OF PROCUREMENT AND LOGISTICS MANAGEMENT

BPLM 213: MANAGING SUPPLY CHAIN RELATIONSHIPS

STREAMS: Y3 S2

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: TUESDAY 6/07/2021 2.30 PM – 4.30 PM

INSTRUCTIONS:

• Answer Question One (Compulsory) and any other Two Questions

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) In the contemporary business environment, proponents of relationship management concept invariably advocates for partnership relationship between buyers and suppliers.

 Justify the reasons behind this phenomenon. [6 Marks]
- b) Analyze the common challenges facing corporate organizations when implementing relationship management concepts in supplies related activities. Suggest possible solutions for such impediments. [6 Marks]
- c) Examine the role of cross-functional teams in manufacturing organizations.[8 Marks]
- d) Identify and explain the key stakeholders in the buyer-supplier performance.[10 Marks]

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain the application of co-destiny and co-maker-ship relationships in business operations. [10 Marks]
- b) By aid of a diagram analyze the customer relationship cycle (10 Marks)

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QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- Explain the relationship between procurement and production function in a a) manufacturing firm. [10 Marks]
- Identify and explain the measurable elements of buyer-supplier relationship.[10 Marks] b)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

Write short notes on the following relationship management terms:

a)	Sub-contracting Sub-contracting	[4 Marks]
b)	Reciprocal trading	[4 Marks]
c)	Strategic alliances	[4 Marks]
d)	Adversarial relationships	[4 Marks]
e)	Customer relationship management	[4 Marks]