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FOURTH YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN LIBRARY SCIENCE

LINS 401: INFORMATION IN SOCIETY

STREAMS: BSC (LINS) TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: TUESDAY 05/12/2017 2.30 P.M. – 4.30 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- ANSWER THREE QUESTIONS
- QUESTION ONE IS COMPULSORY AND CARRIES 30 MARKS
- ALL OTHER QUESTIONS CARRY 20 MARKS EACH

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY)

- (i) Justify the need and move towards an information society. [10 marks]
- (ii) Specify five broad categories of information in our society and discuss their informational role. [20 marks]

QUESTION TWO

Discuss key techniques most suitable for designing, implementing and evaluating information user studies. [20 marks]

QUESTION THREE

Using suitable examples explain the following concepts

- (i) Information society
- (ii) Digital society
- (iii) Mass society
- (iv) Consumer society
- (v) Industrial society [20 marks]

QUESTION FOUR
Discuss key barriers towards effective acquisition and utilization of information in Kenya.
[20 marks
QUESTION FIVE
With justification, discuss what you would consider as the real information needs for rural
societies in Kenya. [20 marks
