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**EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN  
INFORMATION SCIENCE**

**BSIS 103: INFORMATION SOCIETY**

**STREAMS: BSC IS**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

**DAY/DATE: MONDAY 08/04/2024**

**11.30 A.M – 1.30 P.M.**

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**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- **Do NOT write anything on this question paper.**
- **Attempt question ONE and any other TWO questions**

**QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)**

- (a) Analyze with examples the FIVE (5) economic implications of the information society? (10 marks)
- (b) Discuss FIVE (5) key challenges associated with acquisition and utilization of information in any society. (10 marks)
- (c) “Information and knowledge are the most significance and valuable commodities in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. Discuss. (10 marks)

**QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

- (a) Analyze by giving examples the impact of information professionals in any information society. (10 marks)
- (b) Patents and copyrights laws are very significant in any information related environment. Discuss. (10 marks)

**QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

- (a) Information seeking behaviour is a critical process in an information society. Discuss. (12 marks)

- (b) Explain FOUR (4) preliminary steps towards the creation of an “information society.”  
(8 marks)

**QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

- (a) Discuss FIVE (5) factors that determined the genesis of an information society.  
(10 marks)
- (b) With the use of clear examples, evaluate FIVE (5) impacts of new media in evolving society.  
(10 marks)

**QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

- (a) Using appropriate examples, describe briefly the concept “electronic information sources” in acknowledge based society.  
(10 marks)
- (b) Discuss FIVE (5) basic features of Scholarly Periodicals.  
(10 marks)
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