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**MAIN EXAMINATION**

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**AUGUST – DECEMBER 2018 TRIMESTER**

**FACULTY OF SCIENCE**

**DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE**

**REGULAR PROGRAMME**

**DARM 105: PRESERVATION OF INFORMATION AND DISASTER  
MANAGEMENT**

**Date: DECEMBER 2018**

**Duration: 2 Hours**

**INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question ONE and ANY OTHER TWO Questions**

- Q1. a) Explain each of the following terms as used in preservation of information material:
- i) Restoration (2 marks)
  - ii) Preservation (2 marks)
  - iii) Encapsulation (2 marks)
  - iv) Binding (2 marks)
  - v) Fumigation (2 marks)
- b) Highlight FIVE qualities of ink recommended for archival work (10 marks)
- c) Explain Five functions of the Preservation unit in a National Archive (10 marks)
- Q2. a) List Six challenges facing preservation of paper in Kenya today (12 marks)
- b) Man is said to be an enemy of books. Explain Four reasons that make him to be an enemy of books. (8 marks)
- Q3. a) State Five aims that a Disaster preparedness programme seeks to address. (10 marks)

- b) The preservation policy guides conservators and preservation administrators to carry out their activities efficiently. Outline Six issues covered in the policy **(6 marks)**
- c) Fire can be divided into Four main classes which need specific extinguishers; Identify any Two classes and their respective extinguishers **(4 marks)**
- Q4. a) Information materials are preserved because of the value they possess. Explain Five categories of those values **(10 marks)**
- b) There are Five key components of Disaster programs. Briefly explain them **(10 marks)**
- Q5. a) Outline the advantages of a preservation workshop **(10 marks)**
- b) Explain the Five principles of information materials repair **(10 marks)**

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