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MAIN EXAMINATION

MAY – JULY 2019 TRIMESTER

FACULTY OF SCIENCE

DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE

REGULAR PROGRAMME

DLIS 120 : ORGANIZATIONAL AND RETRIEVAL OF INFORMATION 11

Date: JULY 2019

Duration: 2 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question ONE and ANY OTHER TWO Questions

- Q 1
- a) Explain your understanding of the following terminologies **(4 marks)**
 - i) Library classification
 - ii) Bibliographic classification
 - b) Identify six advantages of web based library classification schemes **(6 marks)**
 - c) Identify three types of classification schemes in terms of their use explaining the scope of coverage of each one of them in terms of knowledge and give one example of each scheme you have Identified. **(12 marks)**
 - d) Explain three main activities of subject cataloguing **(6 marks)**
 - e) Illustrate the significance of any feature of a classification scheme **(2 marks)**
- Q 2
- a) Discuss any five purpose of a classification scheme and give their relevance in a library setting **(10 marks)**
 - b) Discuss five disadvantages of classification schemes in print formats. **(10 marks)**

- Q 3 Illustrate any five factors a professional librarian should consider before choosing a classification scheme for a given library for the purpose of cataloguing and classifying library information resources. **(20 marks)**
- Q 4
- a) Identify four fundamental categories of basic subjects according to Ranganathan **(4marks)**
 - b) Demonstrate how classes in Dewey decimal classification scheme are structured **(12 marks)**
 - c) Pick one of the laws of library science and one of the purposes of library classification and demonstrate how they are in agreement with each other. **(4 marks)**
- Q5
- a) Demonstrate the significance of any two principles of classification according to library of congress classification scheme **(10 marks)**
 - b) Demonstrate how classes in Library of Congress classification scheme are structured **(10 marks)**

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