



**MURANG'A UNIVERSITY COLLEGE**  
**(A constituent College of Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology)**  
**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2015/2016**  
**YEAR TWO EXAMINATION FOR THE DIPLOMA IN INFORMATION**  
**TECHNOLOGY**  
**SCI 1203: MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM**

**COURSE: DIT**

**TIME: 2HRS**

**DAY/TIME: Monday 2:00Pm-4:00pm**

**DATE: 14<sup>th</sup> Dec 2015**

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**INSTRUCTIONS: Answer question one and any other two questions**

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**QUESTION 1.**

- a. Define the following terms (4 marks)
  - i. Information system
  - ii. Decision support system
  - iii. Computer based information system
  - iv. Organization.
- b. Discuss the five challenges of information system in an organization (5 Marks)
- c. Using your institution as an example, describe levels of an organization (5 Marks)
- d. The directors of wells materials are planning to hire managers, list four roles of managers in an organization (4 marks)
- e. Explain with a aid of a diagram the process of decision making (4 marks)
- f. List two types of processing for a Transaction Processing System (2 Marks)
- g. Discuss information systems activities (6 Marks)

**QUESTION 2.**

- a. Explain the following types of information systems (6 marks)
  - i. MIS
  - ii. Executive information system
  - iii. Transaction processing system
- b. Name five types of DSS using the mode of assistance as the criterion (5 Marks)
- c. A well known telecommunications company wants to invest in information systems.  
Explain benefit of the information system (6 marks)
- d. Describe three types of decisions in any organization (3 Marks)

**QUESTION 3.**

- a. Distinguish between data and information, citing relevant examples (4 marks)
- b. Discuss ten roles of a manager according to Mintzberg (10 Marks)
- c. Explain the strategy that an organization can implement to gain competitive edge (6 Marks)

**QUESTION 4.**

- a. Define the term office automation system and give some of the examples (4 Marks)
- b. Discuss the stages of the information system development (6 Marks)
- c. List four common features that are found in all organization (4 marks)
- d. Discuss three characteristics of MIS that make them differ from decision support system(DSS) (6 marks)