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SCHOOL OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY
DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION AND MEDIA TECHNOLOGY
SECOND SEMESTER 2018/2019 EXAMINATION

COURSE CODE: IMT 223
COURSE TITLE: COMPUTER ASSISTED REPORTING
CREDIT UNITS: 2
TIME ALLOWED: 2 HOURS
COURSE LECTURER(S): MRS G. E. OMALE
NUMBER OF QUESTIONS: 5
NUMBER OF PAGES: 2

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer any 3 out of five questions
- Do **not** use red pen
- Please use a clear handwriting
- This exam is closed book, closed notes, closed laptop and closed cell phone

1. (a) Critically examine the concept of computer assisted reporting **8marks**
(b) Outline any six (6) tools used in computer assisted reporting **12 marks**
2. (a) Enumerate any five (5) challenges of computer assisted reporting that you know **5marks**
(b) Expatiate on each of the challenges enumerated in question 2(a) above **15marks**
3. Write notes on each of the following functions as they relate to computer assisted reporting:
 - a) Spreadsheet (Excel) **4marks**
 - b) Website **4marks**
 - c) Database **4marks**
 - d) Word processing **4marks**
 - e) Mapping (Google Maps) **4marks**
4. Briefly comment on the concept of computer assisted reporting and outline its various advantages and challenges **20marks**
5. (a) Define data-driven journalism **5 marks**
(b) Pinpoint any 8 uses of data-driven journalism **8 marks**
(c) With valid explanation, discuss any 7 stages of writing a news report **7 marks**