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First Semester

DBA 1601 — MANAGEMENT CONCEPTS

(Regulation 2007/2009)

Time: Three hours

Maximum: 100 marks

Answer ALL questions.

PART A — $(10 \times 2 = 20 \text{ marks})$

- 1. What is the meaning of contingent workforce?
- 2. What is span of control?
- 3. Contrast strategic and operational plans.
- 4. What is the relationship between planning and control?
- 5. What are the features of a mechanistic structure?
- 6. Distinguish between leadership and management.
- 7. Contrast Line and Staff Authority.
- 8. Identify Leadership qualities.
- 9. List communication barriers.
- 10. What is a Gantt chart?

PART B — $(5 \times 16 = 80 \text{ marks})$

11. (a) Describe the effects of globalization on the economy and on organizations.

Or

- (b) How has a focus on core competencies changed the ways in which organizations are structured and managed?
- 12. (a) Discuss the steps in the rational decision-making model.

Or

- (b) What can managers do to improve their decision making and explain the tools used for decision making?
- 13. (a) What is departmentation? In what ways can management departmentalize? Explain the pros and cons of each type of departmentation.

Or

- (b) Elaborate the various key elements of organization structure.
- 14. (a) Explain the significance of the staffing process. List the steps in staffing process.

Or

- (b) Discuss Maslow's hierarchy of needs and compare this theory with 2 factor theory.
- 15. (a) Discuss the diagnostic control systems and budgetary systems.

Or

(b) Discuss the Boundary Control Systems and Interactive Control Systems.