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Instructions

Answer only five (05) questions.

QUESTION ONE

"A manager is someone who coordinates and oversees the work of other people so organizational goals can be accomplished"

i. What are the levels of management?

(04 marks)

ii. Briefly explain Mintzberg's managerial roles.

(05 marks)

iii. "Managers are increasingly facing challenges in their work due to many reasons that they have to deal with day-to-day operations"

Do you agree with this statement? Explain your answer.

(05 Marks)

(Total 14 marks)

QUESTION TWO

"According to the concept of corporate social responsibility, a manager must strive to achieve both organizational and societal goals"

i. Briefly explain two opposing views of social responsibility.

(04 marks)

ii. Discuss the factors that determine the ethical and unethical behavior of a manager.

(05 Marks)

iii. Describe management's role in encouraging ethical behavior.

(05 Marks)

(Total 14 marks)

QUESTION THREE

"Planning is one of the primary managerial functions and it leads to other managerial functions such as organizing, controlling, and staffing."

i. What are the reasons for planning?

(04 marks)

ii. List out and briefly explain types of plans.

(05 Marks)

iii. Briefly explain the functions of organizational culture.

(05 Marks)

(Total 14 marks)

QUESTION FOUR

"Organizing is a function in which the synchronization and combination of human, physical and financial resources take place".

- i. What are the six key elements in organizational design? (04 marks)
- ii. Explain the differences between centralization and decentralization of decision-making within an organization. (05 Marks)
- iii. Briefly explain the factors affecting organizational structural choice. (05 Marks)

(Total 14 marks)

QUESTION FIVE

- i. What are the barriers to effective communication? Explain them briefly. (04 marks)
- ii. Explain how barriers to effective communication can be overcome. (05 Marks)
- iii. What are some specific skills that you require to become an effective communicator?

(05 Marks)

(Total 14 marks)

QUESTION SIX

"Effective leadership enables followers to succeed. It sets direction, builds a vision, and adapts as circumstances require."

- i. Briefly explain four leadership traits. (04 marks)
- ii. Explain Hersey and Blanchard's situational leadership theory. (05 marks)
- iii. Discuss the most appropriate leadership style for a garment factory and a software development company. (05 marks)

(Total 14 marks)

QUESTION SEVEN

Write short notes on any FOUR of the following topics

- i. Management by objectives
- ii. Span of control
- iii. Herzberg's two-factor theory
- iv. Goal setting theory of motivation
- v. Control process
- vi. Organizational Performance

(3.5 marks per each) (Total 14 marks)
