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**FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT**  
**M.B.A. II – Semester Examination, July 2014**

**Subject : Decision Support Systems**  
**Course No. : 2.7**

Time : 3 hours

Max. Marks : 80

**Note : Answer all questions.****PART – A (10 x 2 = 20 Marks)**

1 Write short notes on the following :

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|---------------------------|---------------------|
| a) Architecture of D.S.S. | f) Model of EIS     |
| b) Resource pooling       | g) Inference engine |
| c) Muddling               | h) Knowledge assets |
| d) Synergy                | i) Data mart        |
| e) Drill down             | j) Data mining      |

**PART – B (5 x 12 = 60 Marks)**

2 a) Distinguish between structured and unstructured decisions. Explain the phases in the decision making process.

**OR**

b) What do you mean by decision analysis approach? Explain the conceptual model of DSS.

3 a) Describe the hardware requirements of DSS. Discuss the model management component of DSS.

**OR**

b) Explain DSS tools. Describe the activities in the implementation of DSS.

4 a) Discuss the distributed DSS technology and its functions.

**OR**

b) What is a group decision support system? How distributed GDSS can enhance group decision making?

5 a) What are the business benefits of using artificial intelligence technology? What are intelligent agents?

**OR**

b) Distinguish between artificial intelligence and natural intelligence.

6 a) Where data mining fits in with data warehousing? Describe the data visualization tools.

**OR**

b) What are the characteristics of data warehouse? Discuss the commonly used data mining techniques.

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