

**Indian Statistical Institute, Bangalore**  
M.S (QMS) First Year  
First Semester - Management Information System

Mid-Semester Exam

Duration: 2hrs

Date: Sept 08, 2014

Note: Answer question no.1 and any **two** from the rest.

Max Marks:50

1. Define the following:- [2\*5=10]

- (a) System
- (b) Management Information System
- (c) Completeness of Data
- (d) Latent variable (construct)
- (e) Indicator variable (manifest variable)

2. [12+3+5=20]

- (a) Explain value chain analysis.
- (b) Define operational system in the context of value chain.
- (c) What are some weaknesses of operational system?

3. [4+8+8=20]

- (a) What is meant by accuracy of data?
- (b) What are the main reasons for data becoming inaccurate?
- (c) What methods are used to improve accuracy?

4. [2+3+15=20]

- (a) What is meant by reliability of data?
- (b) Explain briefly the concept of operational definition.
- (c) What are the five fundamental forces impacting competitive position of an organization as specified by Porter?