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Instructions: Answer TWQ questions from Section A and TWO question from Section B. Each question carries equal marks.

Duration: 2 hours

Sitting: Autumn 2012

Requirements for this examination:

Note to Candidates: Please check the Programme Title and the Module Title to ensure that you have received the correct examination paper.
If in doubt please contact an Invigilator.

Section A

Q1.

- (a) Explain what a “lean process” is and list the seven types of waste in an organization. (6 marks)
- (b) Briefly explain what HACCP is and list the seven principles of HACCP. (6 marks)
- (c) Explain how a control chart can be used to examine the capability of a process. (6 marks)
- (d) Describe the two types of variation that can be found in production processes. (7 marks)

Q2.

- (a) Explain what an SOP is and list four benefits/uses of SOPs. (6 marks)
- (b) Briefly explain the following two tools that can be used within Lean operations: 5S and poka yoke. (6 marks)
- (c) Explain the DMAIC methodology than can be used for Six Sigma projects. (6 marks)
- (d) In relation to HACCP, explain what a critical control point and critical limits are. (7 marks)

Q3.

- (a) Explain what the PDCA cycle is. (6 marks)
- (b) List three reasons why documentation is important in business and explain what steps can be taken to control documents. (6 marks)
- (c) Define the term risk and explain with the use of examples the difference between qualitative and quantitative risk assessment. (6 marks)
- (d) Define what is meant by good manufacturing practice (cGMP) and list four reasons why GMP is needed. (7 marks)

Section B

- Q.4 (a) Discuss the applications of a LIMS system in a Research Laboratory of a food or pharmaceutical company. (6 marks)
- (b) Define the term Protectionism in relation to Trade. (3 marks)
- (c) Describe in detail two forms of protectionism that you are familiar with. (8 marks)
- (d) Write a detailed note on the mass or flow production process to include applications in food, nutritional or pharmaceutical industries. (8 marks)
- Q.5 (a) Describe briefly the main hardware and software requirements of a LIMS system. (8 marks)
- (b) In relation to world trade, describe briefly what is meant by free trade. (2 marks)
- (c) Write a note on a free trade area/trading bloc that you are familiar with. (7 marks)
- (d) Write a detailed note on the batch production process to include applications in food, nutritional or pharmaceutical industries. (8 marks)
- Q.6 (a) Describe how a commercial LIMS system such as Laura 4 or Debra 5 meets the requirements of a regulatory laboratory. (7 marks)
- (b) Discuss the functions of the World Trade Organisation in relation to Free Trade development worldwide. (7 marks)
- (c) Describe in detail the main factors that influence the choice of manufacturing process that a particular company will use in production. (7 marks)
- (d) Describe briefly the term “change control” in relation to validation of a LIMS system. (4 marks)