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**B.Tech.**

**(SEMESTER-VI) THEORY EXAMINATION, 2012-13**

**SOFTWARE PROJECT MANAGEMENT**

*Time : 3 Hours ]*

*[ Total Marks : 100*

**SECTION – A**

1. Attempt all parts. 10 × 2 = 20
- How are software project management issues different for in-House project and work on hire project ?
  - Why is it important to evaluate a project before it is taken up ?
  - Explain the reasons behind the following assertion : “Adding more manpower to a late project makes it later”.
  - Who are the stakeholders of a software project ? Name them.
  - Differentiate between verification and validation.
  - What is the objective of earned value analysis ?
  - Why quality standards are needed ?
  - Can a program be correct and still do not exhibit good quality ?
  - Distinguish between variant and version during configuration management of a software product.
  - What are integrated CASE tools ?

**SECTION – B**

2. Attempt any **three** parts. 10 × 3 = 30
- Why is it necessary to plan software projects ? What are the broad activities that encompass software project planning ? List the steps involved in detailed planning.
  - What is critical path and why it is important to identify critical path in software development cycle ? How a critical path can be identified in a small network ?





- (c) Differentiate between Cost Performance Index (CPI), Schedule Performance Index (SPI). For what purpose these indices are used ? Suppose you have a budgeted cost of a project at ₹ 9,00,000. The project is to be completed in 9 months. After a month, you have completed 10% of the project at a total expense of ₹ 1,00,000. The planned completion should have been 15%. Identify the status of project by computing the CPI index and SPI index.
- (d) State McCall's software quality factors. How is process quality management different from product quality management ? What techniques would you employ to enhance software quality ?
- (e) What is software baseline and its significance ? Describe various baselines.

### SECTION – C

Attempt all parts.

10 × 5 = 50

3. Attempt any two parts :

- (a) How expert judgements could be made use for the estimation of software efforts ?
- (b) Explain the important issues that a project manager needs to document in a Software Project Management Plan (SPMP).
- (c) What is sliding window planning ? What kinds of projects are suitable for sliding window planning ?

4. Attempt any two parts :

- (a) The project has a very tight schedule. Suggest two ways in which productivity could be improved to help bring this project on schedule. Discuss how each of the methods you describe actually improves productivity.
- (b) What is work breakdown structure ? What is its use ? Illustrate by a simple example.
- (c) Justify the following statement : "Project managers normally use PERT charts for doing resource allocation, whereas GANTT charts are used for monitoring and controlling the progress of the project".

5. Attempt any two parts :

- (a) What purpose does "walkthrough" serve ? How is this accomplished ?
- (b) Using the earned value analysis, show graphically the cost and the schedule variances of a project that is ahead of schedule but is spending correctly.
- (c) What is review in the Project Management ? How technical reviews are conducted during software development ?



6. Attempt any two parts :

- (a) What are stress and volume testing ? What is the difference between these two types of testing ? How are they performed ? Give some examples of stress and volume testing.
- (b) Which types of activities are performed in Software Quality Assurance (SQA) ? List SQA related activities.
- (c) What are the five levels of Capability Maturity Model (CMM) ? Is it possible for an organization to achieve a higher level of CMM without achieving a lower one ?

7. Attempt any two parts :

- (a) What are the different risk assessment activities ? Discuss any one of these.
- (b) Schedule slippage is a very common form of risk that almost every project manager has to encounter. If you are project manager of a medium-sized project, how would you manage this risk ?
- (c) What do you mean by Software Configuration Management (SCM) ? Why is it necessary ?