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Sixth Semester B.Sc. Degree (C.B.C.S.S. – OBE-Regular/Supplementary/ Improvement) Examination, April 2025 (2019 to 2022 Admissions) DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC ELECTIVE IN COMPUTER SCIENCE 6B15CSC-A: Information Security

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 40

PART – A (Short Answer)

Answer **all** questions.

 $(6 \times 1 = 6)$

- 1. What is integrity in information security?
- 2. Define a worm.
- 3. What is a passive attack?
- 4. What is a substitution cipher?
- 5. What are weak keys in DES?
- 6. Define message integrity.

PART - B

(Short Essay)

Answer **any six** questions.

 $(6 \times 2 = 12)$

- 7. Explain the principle of authentication.
- 8. Differentiate between viruses and worms.
- 9. What is a keyed transposition cipher?
- 10. Describe the concept of cryptanalysis.

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- 11. What is the completeness effect in DES?
- 12. Explain differential cryptanalysis.
- 13. Describe the application of public key cryptosystems.
- 14. What are the types of digital signature forgery?

PART – C (Essay)

Answer any four questions.

 $(4 \times 3 = 12)$

- 15. Discuss the need for information security.
- 16. What is factoring problem in RSA?
- 17. What is the structure of a block cipher?
- 18. Explain double DES and triple DES.
- 19. Describe the RSA digital signature scheme.
- 20. Explain how a digital signature ensures non-repudiation.

PART – D (Long Essay)

Answer any two questions.

 $(2 \times 5 = 10)$

- 21. Explain the principles of information security with examples.
- 22. Describe mono-alphabetic and polyalphabetic substitution ciphers.
- 23. Explain the brute-force and linear cryptanalysis techniques used against DES.
- 24. Discuss the process of creating and verifying a digital signature, including its services.