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BLIS 4307: ADVANCED GLOBAL INFORMATION SOCIETY

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INSTRUCTIONS:
Answer any **FOUR** questions.

QUESTION 1

   a. Define the concept of Global Information Society. (6)
   b. Discuss the characteristics of Information Society. (10)
   c. Identify any barriers to the effective dissemination of information in Africa. (9)
   [25]

QUESTION 2

One of the effects of technology on society is the 'digital divide'. Explain how the digital divide has affected the global society and how it can be remedied. **[25]**

QUESTION 3

Discuss implications of the library's use of the social media platforms as a communication tool to advance library services. **[25]**

QUESTION 4

Artificial Intelligence (AI) is one of the emerging trends and applications of computing in libraries. Examine the implications of AI in Library and Information Services. **[25]**

QUESTION 5

   a. What is the role of ICTs in the development? (8)
   b. How can good management of information contribute towards national development? (8)
      Explain the role of a national information policy in a given country. (9) **[25]**