

**PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE**  
(AUTONOMOUS)  
**BSc DEGREE EXAMINATION MAY 2018**  
(Sixth Semester)

Branch- **LNFORMATIONTECHNOLOGY**

**INFORMATION SYSTEM SECURITY**

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

**SECTION-A (20 Marks!)**

Answer **ALL** questions

**ALL** questions carry **EQUAL** marks (10x2 = 20)

- 1 What is a block cipher?
- 2 What is the difference between a block cipher and a stream cipher?
- 3 What do you mean by a trap door?
- 4 What is biometric authentication?
- 5 What are the 3 means of providing database integrity?
- 6 Define inferences.
- 7 Which factors make the network vulnerable?
- 8 What is a firewall?
- 9 Differentiate copy-right and patent.
- 10 What are all the actions taken as a result of software failure?

**SECTION - B (25 Marks!)**

Answer **ALL** Questions

**ALL** Questions Carry **EQUAL** Marks (5x5 = 25)

- 11 a Describe the categories of passive and active security attacks.  
OR  
b Explain the Caesar cipher & brute force attack on that cipher method.
- 12 a Explain the following non-malicious program errors:  
(a) Buffer overflows (b) incomplete medication  
(c) Time-of-check to time-of-use errors.  
OR  
b Explain the control of access to general objects.
- 13 a Discuss about the two-phase update with example.  
OR  
b Discuss the types of disclosures under sensitive data of database.
- 14 a Describe about the link encryption as a network security control.  
OR  
b Discuss the steps of risk analysis.
- 15 a Compare and contrast on “ownership of a patent”, “ownership of a copyright” and “work for hire”.  
OR  
b What are the reasons for it is being considered that computer crime is hard to prosecute?

**SECTION - C (30 Marks)**

Answer any **THREE** Questions

**ALL** Questions Carry **EQUAL** Marks (3 x 10 = 30)

- 16 Discuss in detail about the digital signatures.
- 17 Explain the controls against program threats.
- 18 Explain about different ways of inference being done on databases with examples.
- 19 Explain about firewalls with neat diagram.
- 20 Explain the rights of employees and employers and ethical issues in computer security.