

Assignment 1

Course Code (Name) : BMPT301 (Management Information System)

Course Covered : Entire Course

Instructions : Attempt all questions on your own at the first instance. If you cannot do them on your own, you are free to take help of your batch mates or your course instructor. The assignment is to be submitted in *soft form* on or before November 15, 2009.

1. Trace the history of *Information Systems* till date. Why are today's firms attracted to ERP systems?
2. A firm's information resources consist of *Computer Hardware, Computer Software, Information Specialists, Users, Facilities, Databases, and Information*. How is the management of these important to achieve competitive advantage?
3. What is Systems Analysis and Design (SAD)? Why is it important? Give an overview of SDLC, RAD and prototyping.
4. Discuss the key ideas of Business Continuity Management (BCM). Take the help of web resources.
5. Read the case *Indian Distributors Ltd.* From the case, answer questions 1, 2 and 5.

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