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**THIRD SEMESTER B.TECH. (ENGINEERING) [14 SCHEME] DEGREE
EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2015**

CS/IT 14 303—COMPUTER ORGANIZATION AND DESIGN

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 100 Marks

Part A

Answer any eight of the following questions.

- I. 1 Enumerate the basic building blocks of a computer.
- 2 Write the characteristics of RISC processor.
- 3 Distinguish between signed and unsigned number.
- 4 What are the main components of ALU ?
- 5 What is a data path ?
- 6 What is an exception ?
- 7 Define the term 'polling'.
- 8 Distinguish between synchronous and asynchronous I/O controllers.
- 9 Define the various hazards in computer architecture.
- 10 How does cache memory improve the system performance ?

(8 × 5 = 40 marks)

Part B

- II (a) Explain in detail with necessary examples, various addressing modes.

Or

- (b) Discuss in detail about various bus structures in computers.

- III. (a) Explain in detail about the process of performing addition and subtraction in computer architecture.

Or

- (b) Elaborate in detail about floating point representation and arithmetic.

- IV. (a) Explain in detail about single and multi-cycle implementations.

Or

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(b) Explain in detail about pipeline hazards.

V. (a) With a neat diagram explain in detail about common framework in memory hierarchy.

Or

(b) Discuss in detail about the working of Input-Output interfaces.

(4 × 15 = 60 marks)