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2<sup>ND</sup> YEAR 1<sup>ST</sup> SEMESTER EXAMINATION IN BACHELOR  
OF SCIENCE  
(REGULAR)**

**COURSE CODE: BBM 3211**

**COURSE TITLE: ELEMENTS OF ECONOMICS**

**DATE: 12/8/13**

**TIME: 9.00 -11 .00AM**

**DURATION: 2 HOURS**

**INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1. This paper contains five (5) questions.**
- 2. Answer question 1 (compulsory) and ANY other TWO questions.**
- 3. Write all answer in the booklet provided.**

**QUESTION ONE**

i. Use the National Income Model given below to answer the questions that follows

$$Y = C + C + I + G + (X - M)$$

$$C = a + bY \quad \text{Consumption Expenditure}$$

$$I = I \quad \text{Investment Expenditure}$$

$$G = G \quad \text{Government Expenditure}$$

$$X = X \quad \text{Exports}$$

$$M = M_0 - mY \quad \text{Import Function}$$

- a. Based on the National Income model given above , derive the multiplier equation 4 Marks
- b. If  $a = 15000$ ,  $I = 10000$ ,  $G = 20000$  ,  $b = 15\%$ ,  $X = 450$ ,  $M_0 = 100$  and  $mY = 35\%$  2 Marks

- ii. With the help of a diagram explain the price and output under Monopolistic competition both in the short and long run 12 Marks
- iii. Explain the reasons why most Countries finds it difficult to reduce public expenditure 12 Marks

**QUESTION TWO**

- i. Explain the features of a free market economy 10 Marks
- ii. The table below shows the income and household demand for milk per month

Income ( KSH)	Quantity demanded (litters of Milk)
100	60
400	80
700	100
1000	140
1500	180
1700	220
2000	280

Calculate the income elasticity of demand when the income is at Ksh 400, 700, 100, 1500,1700, 2000. 10 Marks

### QUESTION THREE

- i. Using the following demand and supply functions of a commodity Y . Compute the equilibrium price and quantity?

$$D = 70 - P$$

$$S = 10 + P$$

Where P is the price

D is the Demand for commodity Y

S is the supply of commodity Z

4 Marks

- ii. Using relevant diagrams explain the following

- Increase and decrease in demand

- Shift of the demand curve

6 Marks

- iii. Explain the Monetary policy measures to control money supply in an economy.

10 Marks

### QUESTION FOUR

- i. Explain the importance and the difficulties of measuring the national income statistics.

12 Marks

- ii. Explain the determinants of elasticity of demand.

8 Marks

### QUESTION FIVE

- i. Highlight the types of inflation in an economy.

4 Marks

- ii. Explain the measures to solve the Balance of Payment equilibrium.

6 Marks

- iii. Explain the monetary policy measures to control unemployment in a country.

10 Marks