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## UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT

### 2<sup>ND</sup> YEAR 1<sup>ST</sup> SEMESTER 2018/2019 ACADEMIC YEAR

#### **MAIN CAMPUS**

**COURSE CODE: BBM 3211** 

COURSE TITLE: ELEMENTS OF ECONOMICS EXAM VENUE:

DATE: DECEMBER, 2018 EXAM SESSION:

TIME: 2 HOURS

#### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 1. Answer Question ONE (COMPULSORY) and ANY other 2 questions
- 2. Candidates are advised not to write on the question paper.
- 3. Candidates must hand in their answer booklets to the invigilator while in the examination room.

#### **OUESTION ONE**

- i. Explain with the help of a diagram the following
  - a. Decrease and increase in demand
  - b. Types of elasticity of supply
  - c. Movement along the demand curve
  - d. Movement along the supply curve

20 Marks

ii. Asses the factors affecting the supply of commodities

10 Marks

#### **QUESTION TWO**

i. The following data relates to national income statistics of a certain country

Y = C + I + G Where Y = National Income, I = Investment, G = Government Spending

$$C = a + by$$
,  $I = I$ ,  $G = G$ 

a. Derive the national income equation

2 Marks

b. If a = 300, b = 0.75y, I = 500, G = 450, calculate the national income equilibrium 2 Marks

iii. Explain the importance and the difficulties in measuring the National income

10Marks

iv. Explain the Keynesian theory of the demand for money citing relevant examples

8 Marks

#### **QUESTION THREE**

- i. Explain with the help of a diagram the price and output of a firm operating under perfect competition in both short and long run 10 Marks
- ii. Explain the policy measures to correct the balance of payment disequilibrium in most developing economy

10 Marks

#### **QUESTION FOUR**

- Following a change in increase of consumers income from Ksh 800 to Ksh 700 per month, the
  quantity demanded for a good decreased from 120 to 100 units. In the same market there has been
  an increase of the price of coffee from 15 to 20 Ksh per cup prompting the increase of the quantity
  demanded of Tea to 30 to 40 cups per day. Calculate the income and the cross elasticity of
  demand
- ii. Explain the mechanism and the reasons for the Central Banks supervision of the Commercial banks
- iii. Explain the reasons why there has been an increase of public expenditure in Kenya for the last FIVE years 10 Marks

#### **QUESTION FIVE**

i. Explain with the help of a diagram the law of variable proportions

10 Marks

ii. Explain the major sources of Government revenue

10 Marks