THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL ADVANCED CERTIFICATE OF SECONDARY EDUCATION EXAMINATION

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ECONOMICS 1

(For Both School and Private Candidates)

Time: 3 Hours Year: 2020

Instructions

- 1. This paper consists of sections A, B and C with a total of **eight (8)** questions.
- 2. Answer all questions in section A and two (2) questions from each of sections B and C.
- 3. Section A carries **twenty (20)** marks and sections B and C carry **forty (40)** marks each.
- 4. Non programmable calculators may be used.
- 5. All communication devices and any unauthorized materials are **not** allowed in the examination room.
- 6. Write your **Examination Number** on every page of your answer booklet(s).



SECTION A (20 Marks)

Answer **all** questions in this section.

- 1. Briefly describe five factors that determine real wages.
- 2. Briefly analyse five effects of high population density in developing countries.

SECTION B (40 Marks)

Answer at least **two (2)** questions from this section.

3. (a) The following table shows the production of commodity A, B, C and D. Study it and answer the questions that follow:

| Year | Income | Quantity Demanded in (Kg's per year) | | | |
|------|---------|--------------------------------------|---------|---------|--------|
| | | A | В | C | E |
| 2000 | 40,000 | 120,000 | 150,000 | 100,000 | 80,000 |
| 2001 | 100,000 | 150,000 | 450,000 | 100,000 | 40,000 |

- (i) Calculate income elasticity of demand for each commodity.
- (ii) Give classification of each type of commodity.
- (b) Analyse four practical applications of elasticity of supply.
- 4. (a) Using a graph, illustrate production possibility frontier.
 - (b) Identify four assumptions of production possibility frontier.
- 5. (a) Elaborate five factors that influence demand for money.
 - (b) Study the data given in the following table and answer the questions that follow:

| | Years, Price and Quantities | | | | | |
|----------------|-----------------------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|--|--|
| Items | 20 | 13 | 2015 | | | |
| | Price (Tsh) | Quantity (kg) | Price (Tsh) | Quantity (kg) | | |
| Sweet Potatoes | 190 | 12 | 510 | 18 | | |
| Maize Flour | 590 | 07 | 1110 | 14 | | |
| Wheat | 390 | 07 | 510 | 15 | | |
| Sugar | 170 | 32 | 310 | 30 | | |
| Rice | 210 | 22 | 410 | 30 | | |
| Beans | 270 | 20 | 300 | 38 | | |

From the table calculate:

- (i) Laspayer's Price index, using 2015 as a base year and Interpret your result.
- (ii) Paasche's Price Index, using 2013 as a base year and Interpret your result.

SECTION C (40 Marks)

Answer two (2) questions from this section.

- 6. "Structural unemployment not only leads into social and economic changes in the society but also changes in demand and supply in specific economic industries." Discuss three causes and three remedies of structural unemployment.
- 7. Why a firm may operate below the shut-down point? Explain by giving six points.
- 8. A trade cycle is a wave like movement characterized by alternation of expansion and contraction in economic activity. Based on this statement, examine five causes of trade cycles in the economy.