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

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ECONOMICS 1

(For Both School and Private Candidates)

Time: 3 Hours

Instructions

Year: 2022

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- 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 unauthorised 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 explain the following concepts:
 - (i) Dependence ratio.
 - (ii) An ageing population.
 - (iii) Optimum population.
 - (iv) Under population.
 - (v) Over population.
- 2. By giving five points, explain the importance of opportunity cost.

SECTION B (40 Marks)

Answer two (2) questions from this section.

- 3. (a) Why a monopolist cannot charge any price in the market? Explain by giving five points.
 - (b) Suppose a market for mobile phones has a demand function Q=1000 -10P, and the cost of the monopolist for producing mobile phones is C= 0.005Q2+500. Find:
 - (i) Profit maximizing output level.
 - (ii) Price of mobile phones.
 - (iii) Maximum profit.
- 4. (a) What is cross elasticity of demand? Explain how it is calculated and interpreted.
 - (b) Why does demand curve slope downwards from left to right? Explain by giving four points.
- 5. (a) Using illustration, show the stages of the law of diminishing marginal returns.
 - (b) Explain five limitations of the law of diminishing marginal returns.

SECTION C (40 Marks)

Answer two (2) questions from this section.

- 6. Examine six circumstances in which increase in money supply in the economy do not lead into increase in the general price level.
- 7. "Privatization is vital in improving the Tanzanian Economy." Substantiate this contention by providing five advantages and five disadvantages of privatization policy.
- 8. "Interaction between economic system and development is one of the major reasons for the existence of externalities." Justify this statement by giving six causes of externalities in the economy.