## THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA NATIONAL EXAMINATION COUNCIL DIPLOMA IN TECHNICAL EDUCATION EXAMINATION

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## **BUILDING CONSTRUCTION**

Time: 3 Hour. Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> May 2006 a.m.

## **Instructions**

- 1. This paper consists of sections five (5) questions.
- 2. Answer all questions.
- 3. Each question carries twenty (20) marks.
- 4. Non-programmable calculators may be used.
- 5. 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.



- 1. (a) Define the term "building services" and give two examples.
  - (b) (i) Explain two reasons why building services are important in modern construction.
    - (ii) List two professionals involved in the design or installation of building services.
  - (c) Describe three challenges commonly encountered when installing building services on site.
- 2. (a) What is concrete segregation?
  - (b) (i) State three causes of segregation during mixing or placing of concrete.
    - (ii) Mention two effects of concrete segregation on structural integrity.
  - (c) Give three methods of preventing segregation during concrete work.
- 3. (a) Explain the purpose of expansion joints in large buildings.
  - (b) (i) List three locations where expansion joints should be installed.
    - (ii) State two materials commonly used in expansion joints.
  - (c) Mention three consequences of omitting expansion joints in a concrete structure.
- 4. (a) What is contract administration in a construction project?
  - (b) (i) Identify three roles of a contract administrator.
    - (ii) State two documents typically managed under contract administration.
  - (c) Explain three risks that may arise from poor contract administration.
- 5. (a) Define the term "substructure" in building construction.
  - (b) (i) List four components of a typical substructure.
    - (ii) State two reasons for waterproofing a substructure.
  - (c) Describe three site conditions that may require special substructure design.