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

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## EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH, MEASUREMENT AND EVALUATION

Time: 3 Hours. Tuesday, 13<sup>rd</sup> February 2007 a.m

#### **Instructions**

- 1. This paper consists of sections A, B and C.
- 2. Answer all questions in sections A, two (2) questions from section B and one (1) question from section C.
- 3. Question 11 is compulsory.
- 4. Section A carries 36 marks, section B carries 40 marks and section C carries 24 marks
- 5. Cellular phones and unauthorized materials are **not allowed** in the examination room.
- 6. Write your **Examination Number** on every page of your answer booklet(s).



#### **SECTION A (36 marks)**

Answer all questions in this section.

- 1. Define the term research.
- 2. Mention four characteristics of a good hypothesis in research.
- 3. State four purposes of a research proposal.
- 4. Give four functions of a research instrument try-out.
- 5. List three advantages of using interviews for data collection.
- 6. Give four reasons for conducting a literature review.
- 7. Mention four qualities of a good test item.
- 8. Briefly explain four levels of Bloom's taxonomy of educational objectives.
- 9. Give two advantages of using standard deviation as a measure of variability.

#### **SECTION B (40 marks)**

Answer two questions from this section. Question 11 is **compulsory.** 

- 10. (a) What are instructional objectives?
  - (b) State four characteristics of instructional objectives.
- 11. (a) Differentiate measures of central tendency from measures of dispersion.
  - (b) The following are Mathematics scores for 10 students: 50, 80, 45, 70, 60, 85, 65, 55, 68, 50.

#### Calculate:

- (i) Range
- (ii) Mean (nearest whole number)
- (iii) Standard deviation (nearest whole number)
- (c) Standardize the highest and lowest scores using a mean of 50 and a standard deviation of 10.
- 12. Outline four steps in writing a research report.

13. Discuss four limitations of true-false test items and give four suggestions for constructing good ones.

### **SECTION C (24 marks)**

Answer one question from this section.

- 14. (a) State four characteristics of standardized tests.
  - (b) Give four criteria for standardized tests to function effectively.
- 15. Discuss the first five elements of a research proposal.
- 16. Explain four ways a literature review is useful in educational research.