THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL GRADE A TEACHERS' CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION

635 INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY

Time: 3 Hours. Year: 2016

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. This paper consists of sections A, B and C.
- 2. Answer all questions in sections A and two (2) questions from each sections B and C.
- 3. Section A carries 40 marks, section B and C carry 30 marks.
- 4. Cellular phones and unauthorized materials are not allowed in the examination room.
- 5. Write your Examination Number on every page of your answer booklet(s).



SECTION A (40 Marks)

Answer all questions in this section.

- 1. Explain four reasons why some students may perform poorly in ICT even when provided with modern computer laboratories at school.
- 2. Describe four ways in which overdependence on ICT resources can weaken the creativity and problem-solving skills of students.
- 3. Identify four challenges teachers face in trying to integrate ICT with traditional teaching methods in Tanzanian classrooms.
- 4. Explain four dangers students face when using unregulated internet resources for academic purposes.
- 5. Describe four strategies schools can adopt to ensure ICT facilities are used responsibly by students.
- 6. State four reasons why some students prefer learning through social media platforms rather than through official e-learning platforms provided by schools.
- 7. Give four negative impacts of poor ICT maintenance culture in schools on student learning and performance.
- 8. Explain four reasons why teachers may resist the adoption of ICT despite clear advantages in improving teaching.
- 9. Mention four consequences of unequal ICT access among students in the same school.
- 10. Identify four ways ICT can unintentionally increase academic dishonesty among students.

SECTION B (30 Marks)

Answer any two questions from this section.

- 11. Discuss five ways ICT can contribute to both improving and worsening student discipline in Tanzanian schools.
- 12. Analyse five reasons why ICT-based teaching may still fail to produce better results than traditional teaching in some schools.
- 13. Examine five strategies a school administration can use to ensure ICT investments truly benefit students academically and not just socially.

SECTION C (30 Marks)

Answer any two questions from this section.

- 14. "ICT has widened the gap between students in urban and rural schools." Discuss this statement with six strong arguments.
- 15. Evaluate six ways ICT shapes the moral and social behaviour of students both positively and negatively.
- 16. Assess six major challenges the Tanzanian education system must overcome to make ICT an equalizing tool rather than a source of inequality in schools.