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**CAMPUS: VALLEY ROAD**

**DEPARTMENT: BUSINESS**

**COURSE CODE: BCM300**

**COURSE TITLE: INTERMEDIATE MACROECONOMICS THEORY**

**EXAM DATE: THURSDAY 7<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2017**

**TIME: 5.30PM-8.30PM**

**INSTRUCTIONS**

- Read all questions carefully before attempting.
- Write your **student number** on the answer booklet provided.
- This exam script has **TWO (2)** sections.
- Answer all questions in Section **A** and any other four questions in Section **B**.

## **SECTION ONE** **ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS {40 Marks}**

### **Question 1**

- a) Define the following terms
- i) Autonomous consumption expenditure (3 Marks)
  - ii) Inflation (2 Marks)
  - iii) Multiplier (2 Marks)
- b) Using the expenditure approach calculate the GDP of the following hypothetical economy (5 Marks)

| Item                      | Dollars('000) |
|---------------------------|---------------|
| Personal Consumption      | 2,757         |
| Depreciation              | 400           |
| Wages                     | 3,254         |
| Indirect Business Taxes   | 500           |
| Interest                  | 530           |
| Domestic Investment       | 41            |
| Government Expenditures   | 1,098         |
| Rental Income             | 17            |
| Corporate Profits         | 341           |
| Exports                   | 670           |
| Net Foreign Factor Income | 20            |
| Proprietor's Income       | 403           |
| Imports                   | 510           |

- c) Contrast between the following terms
- i) Exogenous and Endogenous variables (4 Marks)
  - ii) IS curve and LM curve (4 Marks)
  - iii) The consumption function and the saving function (4 Marks)
- d) Describe the characteristics of business cycle (8 Marks)
- e) Explain the relationship between economic theory and economic model (4 Marks)
- f) If consumption increases from Kes30,000 to Kes40,000/yr and disposable income increases from Kes84,000 to Kes96,500/yr, calculate the MPC (4 Marks)

## **SECTION TWO** **ANSWER ANY FOUR QUESTIONS {15 Marks Each}**

### **Question 2**

- g) Differentiate between transaction motive and speculative motive in demand for money (4 Marks)
- h) Explain the Aggregate Demand Curve (6 Marks)
- i) Explain the "Quantity Theory of Money" (5 Marks)

### Question 3

Write short notes on the following as regards the Aggregate Demand (AD) curve

- i) The Wealth Effect (5 Marks)
- ii) The Interest Rate Effect (5 Marks)
- iii) The Exchange Rate Effect (5 Marks)

### Question 4

j) Consider the following consumption schedule

| Disposable Income | Consumption |
|-------------------|-------------|
| Kes 1,000         | Kes 600     |
| Kes 1,500         | Kes 900     |
| Kes 2,000         | Kes 1, 200  |

- i) Calculate the Marginal Propensity to save (4 Marks)
- ii) Derive the consumption function (5 Marks)
- k) Explain **THREE** conditions that would shift the Long Run Aggregate Supply (LRAS) curve (6 Marks)

### Question 5

Explain any **THREE** basic questions to be answered by an economic institution. (6 Marks)

Consider the following multiplier model

$$C = 100 + 0.8Y \quad I = 200$$

where  $Y$  = disposable income

- i) Calculate aggregate expenditure (6 Marks)
- ii) If government injects 100 into the economy, what is the effect on GDP? (3 Marks)

### Question 6

According to the IS-LM model, what happens in the short run to the interest rate, income, consumption, and investment under the following circumstances? Be sure your answer includes an appropriate graph.

- m) The central bank increases the money supply. (8 Marks)
- n) The government increases taxes. (7 Marks)