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CAMPUS: ROYSAMBU

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COURSE CODE: BCM206

COURSE TITLE: INTERMEDIATE MICRO ECONOMICS

EXAM DATE: TUESDAY 3RD DECEMBER 2019

DURATION: 2 HOURS

TIME: 9:00AM-11:00AM

INSTRUCTIONS

- Read the instructions and questions carefully before you write the answers.
- Write your **STUDENT NUMBER** in the Answer Booklet given
- *Write clearly and legibly.*
- This exam script consists of **Six (6)** questions.
- Answer **questions ONE (compulsory)** and **Any other three (3)** questions
- *ALL PAC University's examination rules and regulations apply*

QUESTION ONE: COMPULSORY

- a. A consumer faces the budget line $p_1x_1 + p_2x_2 = m$. Currently the price of good 1 doubles, the price of good 2 becomes 8 times larger, and income becomes 4 times larger. Write down an equation for the new budget line **(2Marks)**
- b. Using a diagram in each case illustrate the difference curves of:
 - i. Perfect substitutes **(4 Marks)**
 - ii. Perfect complements. **(4 Marks)**
- c. Discuss two ways that the government can solve free rider problem that is caused by provision of public goods. **(5 Marks)**
- d. Explain five factors that influence public policy. **(5 Marks)**
- e. Discuss five general assumptions of Cournot Model in Game theory. **(10 Marks)**

QUESTION TWO

- a. Managers must take into account all four
- b. factors (environment, strategy, technology
- c. and human resources) when designing the
- d. structure of the organization
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A firm produces candles. The market for candles is highly competitive, with candles currently selling for \$10. The firm's short-run total cost function is $C = 200 + 0.2q^2$, so its marginal cost is $MC = 0.4q$. Determine:

- i. The firm's profit-maximizing quantity (6 Marks)
- ii. The firm profits (4 Marks)

QUESTION THREE

- a) Distinguish between normal and supernormal profits. (2 Marks)
- b) Explain four remedies to negative externalities. (8 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR

- a) Using examples distinguish between perfect markets and imperfect markets. (4 Marks)
- b) Discuss three characteristics of monopolistic competition. (6 Marks)

QUESTION FIVE

- a) Discuss two characteristics of a pure public good. (4 Marks)
- b) Explain three types of elasticities of demand. (6 Marks)

QUESTION SIX

The total cost equation in the production of beekon at a certain factory is given as follows $C = 1000 + 1000 - 25Q^2 + Q^3$ Where C is the cost in Shs. and Q is the quantity in kg.

Required: Compute

- a) Average cost at the output of 10kg (3 Marks)
- b) Average cost at the output of 11kg (3 Marks)
- c) The marginal cost of the 12th kg. (4 Marks)