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<b>SECOND OPPORTUNITY/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION QUESTION PAPER</b>	
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<b>INSTRUCTIONS</b>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Answer <b>ALL</b> the questions in the booklet provided.</li><li>2. Show <b>clearly</b> all the steps used in the calculations.</li><li>3. All written work must be done in <b>blue</b> or <b>black</b> ink and sketches must be done in pencil.</li><li>4. Decimal answers must be rounded to <b>4</b> decimals places</li></ol>	

**PERMISSIBLE MATERIALS**

1. Non-programmable calculator without a cover.

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### QUESTION 1 (25 marks)

1.1 For each of the following statements, indicate whether True (T) or False (F)

1.1.1  $\sqrt{\sqrt{(x-2)}} = |(x-2)|$  [1]

1.1.2  $\log_b \left(\frac{x}{b}\right) = \log_b x - 1$  [1]

1.1.3  $\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} 5 = 5$  [1]

1.1.4 If  $a^2 + b^2 = 1$  and  $x^2 + y^2 = 2$ , then  $(ax + by)^2 + (ay - bx)^2 = 2$  [1]

1.1.5  $Q = 0.001K^{0.23}L^{0.76}$  is a strict Cobb-Douglas production function [1]

1.2 Determine the degree of the polynomial.

$$(9x^2y^3z)^2 - \frac{6x^2y}{(y^{-3}z^{-2})^3} + 11x^4yz^6 + (4xy^2z)^3$$
 [3]

1.3 Simplify the expression  $\frac{(a+b)^2 - c^2}{a^2 + ab + ac + bc} \times \frac{a^2 + ab - ac - bc}{a + b + c} \div \frac{2a^2 - ac - c^2}{a^2 - c^2}$  [5]

1.4 Solve the following indicial equation in  $x$ :  $\left[ \left(\frac{1}{20}\right)^{2+x} \times \left(\frac{1}{20}\right)^{8x} \right]^2 = 1$  [4]

1.5 Evaluate  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2 - 4}{x - 2}$  [3]

1.6 Use first principle of differentiation to evaluate  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  if  $y = x^{-1}$  [5]

### QUESTION 2 (30 marks)

2.1 Assume an income tax  $T$  with a proportional component  $t$  incorporated into an income determination model  $Y = C + I$ ,

$$C = C_0 + bY_m, T = T_0 + tY, Y_m = Y - T, I = I_0$$

where  $C_0 = 42, I_0 = 15, T_0 = 10, b = 0.375$  and  $t = 0.2$

2.1.1 Determine the reduced form of this model [5]

2.1.2 Determine the numerical value of  $Y$  [2]

2.2 Given that  $Q_s = -5 + 3p$  and  $Q_d = 10 - 2p$ , determine the equilibrium price and quantity [5]

2.3 The Investment-Savings (IS) and Liquidity Preference – Money Supply (LM) models of a certain **3-sector** economy,  $Y = C + I + G$ , economy compose the following:

$\boxed{IS}$	$\boxed{LM}$
$C = 100 + 0.8Y_d; Y_d = Y - T$	$M^d = Y - 25i \dots \text{demand}$
$I = 50 - 25i$	$\frac{M^s}{P} = 200 \dots \text{supply}$
$G = T = 50$	

Derive the *IS* and *LM* equations and hence determine the equilibrium levels of income and rate of interest, where  $P = 2$ . [8]

2.4 A firm uses labour (L) and machines (K) to manufacture their products. The cost of labour is N\$ 40 per unit and the cost of using a machine is N\$ 10.

2.4.1 Derive the budget line of the firm. [2]

2.4.2 Sketch a budget line for this firm, showing the combinations of (L,K) with total cost of N\$ 400, label the budget line with ( $C_1$ ). [3]

2.4.3 On the same graph, sketch another budget line with total cost of N\$ 200, label it with ( $C_2$ ) [3]

2.4.4 Discuss your observations between the two-budget lines. [2]

**QUESTION 3 (25 marks)**

3.1 A firm 's short-run production function is given by  $Q = Le^{-0.02L}$ .

3.1.1 Find the marginal product of labour? [5]

3.1.2 At  $L = 50$ , determine whether the firm's maximises its production level? [3]

3.1.3 What will be the production output at  $L = 50$  ? [3]

3.2 Given the production

$$Q = K^2 + 2L^2$$

3.2.1 Determine the marginal products of  $\frac{\partial Q}{\partial K}$  and  $\frac{\partial Q}{\partial L}$  [4]

3.2.2 Show that  $MRTS = \frac{2L}{K}$  and  $K \frac{\partial Q}{\partial K} + L \frac{\partial Q}{\partial L} = 2Q$  [5]

3.3 Determine  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ , if  $2x^3 - 3y^2 + 7xy = 0$  [5]

**QUESTION 4 (20 marks)**

4.1 Determine the following integrals:

4.1.1  $\int \sqrt{t} dt$  [3]

4.1.2  $\int_0^5 e^{-2x} dx$  [5]

4.2 Assume that the rate of an investment is given by the function  $I(t) = 6\sqrt{t}$ . Compute the total capital accumulation ( $K$ ) between the 1<sup>st</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> years? [Hint:  $K = \int I(t)dt$ ] [6]

4.3 The marginal revenue of a company is given  $MR = 100 + 20x + 3x^2$ , where  $x$  is an amount of good in units sold for a period. Find the total revenue function at ( $x = 2$ ) when total revenue is equal to 260? [6]

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