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DEPARTMENT OF MINING AND PROCESS ENGINEERING

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FIRST OPPORTUNITY QUESTION PAPER	
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INSTRUCTIONS
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Answer all questions.2. Read all the questions carefully before answering.3. Marks for each questions are indicated at the end of each question.4. Please ensure that your writing is legible, neat and presentable.

PERMISSIBLE MATERIALS

1. Examination paper.
2. Scientific Calculator.

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Question 1 [25 marks]

- a) An international mining company intends to apply for an Exclusive Prospecting Licence (EPL) in Namibia. Due to administrative limitations, the company decided to appoint a proxy to be responsible for its commercial interests in Namibia. You have been appointed as the company's proxy and you are required to obtain an EPL for the company. Provide a brief outline to the corporate office of the company on the legal provisions, requirements, and granted rights of an EPL in Namibia. [10]
- b) Outline to the company any three additional licenses as provided in the Minerals Act of Namibia of 1992, focusing on the requirements, conditions, and rights granted. [15]

Question 2 [25 marks]

- a) Namibia is a country of diverse natural resources, biological and ecological diversity. This brings the need to preserve protected areas in Namibia. The National Policy on Prospecting and Mining in Protected areas addresses some of these concerns.
 - I. Explain in your own terms, what you understand by the term "Protected Areas" and provide appropriate examples. [5]
 - II. Discuss the guiding principles behind the National Policy on Prospecting and Mining in Protected Areas. [8]
 - III. The policy was jointly developed by the Ministry of Mines and Energy, The Ministry of Environment and Tourism, and other international bodies. Discuss the challenges of joint formulation of policies as well as the joint implementation of policies between and amongst government ministries. [8]
- b) Outline any four (4) objectives of the policy in a). [4]

Question 3 [25 marks]

- a) Discuss the Diamond Act No.13 of 1999, focusing on its purpose and objectives. [10]
- b) Outline the prerequisites for obtaining the Environmental Clearance Certificate. [10]
- c) Explain your understanding of the term "Social Licence to Operate" (SLO) and explain its importance. [5]

Question 4 [25 marks]

- a) Provide a summary of the Namibia Minerals Policy, focusing on the ability of the policy to satisfy the developmental aspirations of the people of Namibia as well as economic growth and prosperity. [15]
- b) Explain and discuss the importance of the Environmental Management System (EMS) in the mining operation. [10]

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