

MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations for 2020/2021 Academic Year

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

FOURTH YEAR SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION FOR BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (AGRI-BUSINESS MANAGEMENT AND TRADE) AGB 411: MACROECONOMICS THEORY II

DATE: 25/3/2021 TIME: 2.00-4.00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS:

- i) Answer question ONE and any other TWO questions. Question one carries
 30 marks and the other questions carry 20 marks each.
- ii) Do not write on the question paper

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

a) A country's national income model is expressed as follows:

$$Y = C + I + G$$

$$C = C_0 + C_1 Y$$

$$I = I_0$$

$$G = G_0$$

Required:

b)

1. Solve the equilibrium values of \overline{Y} and \overline{C}

(4 marks)

2. Derive:

i. Government expenditure multiplier.

(2 marks)

ii. Investment multiplier.

(2 marks)

iii. Autonomous consumption multiplier.

(2 marks)

Distinguish between the following set of terms: -

(8 marks)

- i. Discretionary stabilization and Automatic stabilization.
- ii. Monetary and fiscal policy
- iii. Flexible exchange rate and fixed exchange rate.
- iv. Deficit and surplus BOP)

- c) Explain the cost of inflation to an economy? (8 marks)
- d) Distinguish between relative income hypothesis and lifecycle income hypothesis

(4 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) With the aid of well labelled diagrams, describe how a country using a fixed exchange rate system can eliminate a deficit in the balance of payment. (8 marks)
- b) Explain any four monetary policy corrects inflation in the economy. (8 marks)
- c) Explain the difference between the devaluation of a currency and the depreciation of a currency. (4 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain the J curve phenomena (6 marks)
- b) Clearly distinguish between commodity and money markets. (4 marks)
- c) Enumerate the key contributions of the Keynesians economics and the main recommendations advanced by the classics economists on employment. (10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss any **five** macroeconomic policy objectives advanced by Kenyan government. (10 marks)
- b) Explain any **five** likely effects of expansionary monetary policy on the Kenyan economy. (10 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) On what grounds did Keynesian criticize Says Law? (10 marks)
- b) Write short notes on the following economic concepts:
 - i. Full employment. (4 marks)
 - ii. Speculative demand for money. (4 marks)
 - iii. Accelerator principle. (2 marks)