



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

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SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

**FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (STATISTICS AND PROGRAMMING)**

BACHELOR OF ECONOMICS AND STATISTICS

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EET 101: MACROECONOMICS THEORY I

DATE:

TIME:

INSTRUCTIONS:

- (i) Answer question one (Compulsory) and any other two questions**
- (ii) Do not write on the question paper**
- (iii) Show your working clearly**

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 MARKS)

- a)
 - i) Using a well labelled diagram, illustrate how income flows between various economic actors in an open economy. (4 marks)
 - ii) What is the role of each of the actors shown in a(i) above? (4 marks)
 - iii) With reference to a(i), distinguish between leakages and injections, giving examples of each. (2 marks)
- b)
 - i) Using the expenditure approach, and assuming an economy where there is no government intervention, derive the IS Equation. (4 marks)
 - ii) If $MPC = 0.6$, $Y = \text{ksh.}1240$ and taxes are expected to change by $\text{ksh.}40$. Compute the new level of income. (3 marks)
- c) By use of a graph, explain the meaning of ratchet effect and paradox of thrift. (6 marks)

- d) Differentiate between narrow money (M_1) and broad money (M_2) and explain the various attributes that money must have. (7 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain how 'price and income policies' can be used to correct inflation levels in a country. (10 marks)
- b) Graphically, illustrate the concept of aggregate demand for money as argued by Keynes. (6 marks)
- c) What determines the size of an Economy's National Income? (4 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) i) Which are the five types of unemployment evident in most developing countries? (5 marks)
- ii) In light of a(i), suggest any five policies that can be used to correct the situation. (5 marks)
- b) Explain what you understand by a Fixed Exchange Rate regime, and illustrate with the help of a graph how a country maintains it. (*Assume the equilibrium exchange rate of Kshs.107/US \$ 1*). (10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) What are the roles of financial institutions in any economy? (5 marks)
- b) Define the following terms as used in macroeconomics: (5 marks)
- i. Net National Product
 - ii. GNP per capita
 - iii. Net investment
 - iv. Disposable personal income
 - v. Gross domestic product
- c) What are the reasons why an individual should hold money? (3 marks)
- d) What can you comment on Per Capita Income in measuring the wellbeing of an individual in a given economy? Support your opinion with explanations. (7 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Write short notes on the following: (10 marks)
- i. Absolute Income Hypothesis
 - ii. Relative Income Hypothesis
 - iii. Permanent Income Hypothesis
 - iv. Life-cycle Income Hypothesis
- b) Which are the constraints of macro-economic theory application in real life experience? (6 marks)
- c) Is deflationary gap the same as inflationary gap? (4 marks)