



(Knowledge for Development)

KIBABII UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

2017/18 ACADEMIC YEAR

FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER

MAIN EXAMINATION

FOR THE DIPLOMA IN EDUCATION

COURSE CODE: EDF 106

COURSE TITLE: FUNDAMENTALS OF ECONOMICS

DATE: 18/01/2018 TIME: 2.00 P.M - 4.00 P.M

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question One in Section A and Any other TWO (2) Questions in Section B

TIME: 2 Hours

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QUESTION ONE

Use supply and demand curves to illustrate how the following event would affect the price of butter and the quantity of butter bought and sold:

- a. An increase in the price of margarine. 17 marks
- b. An increase in the price of butter.
- c. An increase in the number of bakeries causes a fall in the price of bread.

b) Explain the difference between a shift in the demand curve and a movement along the demand curve. 3 marks

c) Given the following equations for demand and supply of books:

$$\text{Qty. (demand)} = 300 - 2P + 4I$$

$$\text{Qty. (supply)} = 3P - 50.$$

If Income (I) = 25,

i) Find the market clearing price and quantity . 5 marks

ii) If the government sets the maximum price of books at sh.80. What would be the quantity demand and quantity supply? Will there be a surplus or shortage in the market? 5 marks

QUESTION TWO

- i) Discuss causes of unemployment in Kenya today. 10 marks
- ii) Suggest possible policy measures the government is taking to solve the unemployment problem. 10 marks

QUESTION THREE

- i) Explain three approaches used in measuring national income 10 marks
- ii) Explain five reasons why countries take national income statistics 10 marks

QUESTION FOUR

- i) Explain five features of perfect completion 10 marks
- ii) Discuss factors influencing elasticity of demand of tomatoes in Bungoma county 10 marks