

TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF MOMBASA Faculty of Engineering & Technology

DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRICAL & ELECTRONICS ENGINEERING

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS FOR DEGREE IN BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ELECTRICAL & ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING

HRD 2103: GENERAL ECONOMICS

SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS SERIES: FEBRUARY 2015 TIME: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer Question ONE (Compulsory) and any other TWO questions.
- Do not write on the question paper

This paper consists of Two printed pages

QUESTION 1 (Compulsory)

- a) Explain **FIVE** problems of using national income as a basis of comparing the level of development of countries. (10 marks)
- b) Highlight the importance of adopting automation in their manufacturing process. (10 marks)
- c) Discuss the contents of Memorandum of Association (MOA). (10 marks)

QUESTION 2

a) Discuss **THREE** methods of measuring national income. (10 marks)

b) Discuss **FIVE** characteristics of a developing country. (10 marks)

QUESTION 3

a) Explain **FIVE** advantages of oligopolistic market structure.

(10 marks)

- b) Explain the following terms:
 - i) Balance of payments
 - ii) Per capita income
 - iii) Capitalization per capita income
 - iv) Economic system

v) Gross Domestic Product.

(10 marks)

QUESTION 4

- a) Using a well labelled diagram, distinguish between a movement along the demand curve and shift of the demand curve. (10 marks)
- b) Explain factors determining the supply of a commodity.

(10 marks)

QUESTION 5

Discuss the causes of unemployment and probable solutions in a developing country.

(20 marks)