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UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS FOR DEGREE IN
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN TOURISM MANAGEMENT
(BSTM S13)

BHT 4201: TRAVEL AGENCY MANAGEMENT

SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS

SERIES: JUNE/JULY 2015 TIME: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer question **ONE** (**Compulsory**) in Section **A** and any other **TWO** questions in Section **B**.

This paper consists of Two printed pages

SECTION A (Compulsory)

QUESTION 1

- a) Prepare a comprehensive TEN days itinerary for a client visiting a destination of your choice in Kenya.
 (20 marks)
- b) Describe FOUR components of a Safari products of an all-inclusive tour.

(10 marks)

SECTION B (Answer any **TWO** questions)

QUESTION 2

a) Define and explain the effects of the following factors to travel operations' distribution channels.

(15

marks)

- i) Inhibitors
- ii) Repelants
- iii) Destination pull
- iv) Diversions
- v) Push
- **b)** The tour brochure is an essential marketing tool for any travel agent seeking to develop and sustain competitiveness in the industry. Illustrate using examples, the principal contents of a brochure.

(5 marks)

QUESTION 3

- a) Explain FIVE key stages associated with preparation and marketing of tour packages. (15 marks)
- b) Briefly explain FIVE areas of competence required of a travel/agent consultant. (5 marks)

QUESTION 4

- a) Evaluate the various opportunities and threats presented to travel agents by the Information Technology (IT). (15 marks)
- b) One of the most important decisions in tour operations is the pricing decision. Explain briefly **FIVE** factors that a tour manager must consider in setting prices. (5 marks)

QUESTION 5

- a) Highlight FIVE points that a travel agent should consider when making travel plans for his client in order to come up with meaningful suggestions.
- **b)** You are advising a prospective out-bound business tourist on travel insurance requirements. Explain **FIVE** general inclusions or conditions that would be provided for by a typical insurance policy.

(5 marks)