

# TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF MOMBASA Faculty of Engineering & Technology

### DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRICAL & ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING

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

#### **HRD 2103: GENERAL ECONOMICS**

#### SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS

SERIES: JUNE/JULY 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) Highlight the difference between movement along the demand curve and shift of the demand curve. (6 marks)
- b) Explain **FIVE** advantages of privatization to developing countries like Kenya. (10 marks)
- c) Outline **FOUR** exceptions to the law of demand. (4 marks)
- d) Explain **FIVE** characteristics of a perfect competitive market. (10 marks)

## **QUESTION 2**

- a) Explain the following terms:

  i) Balance of payments
  ii) Economic system
  iii) Gross Domestic Product
  iv) Opportunity cost
  v) Quota

  b) Discuss key clauses in the Memorandum of Association (MOA). (10 marks)
  QUESTION 3

  Discuss the causes of unemployment and its probable solutions in a developing country. (20 marks)
- **QUESTION 4**
- a) Explain **FIVE** difficulties faced in international trade. (10 marks)
- b) Explain **FIVE** economic policies that a government may adopt. (10 marks)

# **QUESTION 5**

- a) Highlight **FIVE** advantages of oligopolistic market structure. (10 marks)
- b) Discuss the characteristics of a developing country. (10 marks)