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DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING AND CIVIL ENGINEERING

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION FOR:

HIGHER DIPLOMA IN BUILDING ECONOMICS

EBE 3111: SPECIFICATION AND QUANTITIES I B

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS SERIES: OCTOBER 2016

TIME: 2HOURS

Instruction to candidates

You should have the following for this examination

- Answer booklet
- Pocket Calculator

This paper consist of five question.

Answer any three questions of the five questions

All question carry equal marks

Maximum marks for each part of a question are as shown

This paper consist of two printed pages

Question 1

- a) Write specification notes for excavation works for a proposed Storm water drainage system under the following headings
 - i) Preliminary Survey
 - ii) Actual Survey
 - iii) Excavation and Earthworks
 - iv) Timbering to trench
 - v) Disposal of excavation materials
 - vi) Safety to excavations

(12 marks)

- b) Write Specification notes for the construction works of railway track under the following headings
 - i) Preliminary works
 - ii) Topographical survey
 - iii) Excavation and Earthworks
 - iv) Stabilization of formation
 - v) Surface drainage

(8 marks)

Question 2

- a) Write Specification notes for construction of a new proposed Tarmac road on a surveyed route under the following headings
 - i) Sub grade Preparation.
 - ii) Sub Base construction
 - iii) Base coarse construction
 - iv) Application Stabilized layer
 - v) Primer application
 - vi) Bitumen Surfacing laying

(12 marks)

b) Write specification notes for provision of Site security to a construction site. (8 marks)

Question 3

a) State the role of specifications in Civil Engineering construction.

(5 marks)

- b) Define the following types of Specifications in Civil Engineering construction
 - i) General specifications
 - ii) Particular specifications
 - iii) Product specifications
 - iv) Standard specifications
 - v) ISO Specifications

(15 marks)

Question 4

Write specification notes for excavation and construction of a Septic Tank under the following headings

- i) Excavation and Earthworks
- ii) Timbering to excavations works
- iii) Concrete to bottom Slab
- iv) Masonry Walling
- v) Plastering work
- vi) Floor Screed
- vii) Step Irons
- viii) Formwork to Cover Slab
- ix) Concrete to Cover slab
- x) Manhole cover

(20 marks)

Question 5

- a) Write specification notes for laying concrete sewer drainage pipes under the following headings.
 - i) Transportation of pipes
 - ii) Earthworks
 - iii) Laying pipes and jointing
 - iv) Testing of drainage system
 - v) Backfilling

(10 marks)

- b) Write Specification notes for construction of a concrete road under the following headings
 - i) Concrete Materials
 - ii) Preparation and Earthworks
 - iii) Water proofing underlay
 - iv) Laying and fixing of reinforcement
 - v) Concrete works

(10 marks)