



# THE MOMBASA POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

(A Constituent College of JKUAT)

*Faculty of Engineering and Technology*

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING AND CIVIL ENGINEERING

**DIPLOMA IN BUILDING & CIVIL ENGINEERING  
DIPLOMA IN ARCHITECTURE**

**EBC 2219: BUILDING TECHNOLOGY III**

**END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION**

SERIES: DECEMBER 2011

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

## **Instructions to Candidates:**

You should have the following for this examination

- *Answer booklet*
- *Scientific Calculator*

This paper consists of **FIVE** questions

Answer question **ONE (COMPULSORY)** from **SECTION A** and any other **TWO** questions from **SECTION B**

Maximum marks for each part of a question are clearly shown

This paper consists of **TWO** printed pages

## SECTION A (COMPULSORY)

### Question 1

- a) Sketch and label the following
- (i) Timber stair
  - (ii) Dogleg stair
  - (iii) Spine wall
- (16 marks)
- b) State:
- (i) **FOUR** types of foundations
  - (ii) **TWO** functions of foundations in framed structures
  - (iii) **FOUR** factors influencing the choice of a foundation
- (10 marks)
- c) Sketch the cantilever foundation
- (4 marks)

## SECTION B (Answer any TWO questions from this section)

### Question 2

- a) Explain the construction of an underground drainage
- (10 marks)
- b) Differentiate Manholes from Drop holes
- (6 marks)
- c) Differentiate Septic tank from sewerline appurtenances
- (4 marks)

### Question 3

- a) Differentiate the following:
- (i) Domestic sewage from surface run off
  - (ii) Separate drainage system from combined drainage system
  - (iii) Above ground drainage from underground drainage
- (12 marks)
- b) Outline the procedure of designing a timber stair
- (8 marks)

### Question 4

- a) Explain the importance of soil study in building technology
- (10 marks)
- b) With the aid of sketches, explain the use of pile foundation in building technology
- (10 marks)

### Question 5

- a) Explain the procedure of testing an underground drainage system
- (10 marks)
- b) Outline a condition that may necessitate underpinning
- (5 marks)
- c) State the **THREE** types of shoring
- (5 marks)