

FACULTY OF COMMERCE

BACHELOR OF COMMERCE HONOURS DEGREE IN BANKING & FINANCE

PRINCIPLES OF ECONOMICS

HBAF 110

PART 1 SEMESTER 2

TOTAL MARKS [100]

DATE: JUNE 2024

Time: 3 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. This paper has six (6) questions
- 2. Answer question one (1) and any other three (3)
- 3. Each question carries 25 marks
- 4. Start each question on a new page

1. Using the production possibility curve (PPC), explain the concept of scarcity, choice and opportunity costs.

[25 marks]

2. Discuss the qualitative aspects in economic development using the Human development index.

[25 marks]

- 3. (a) Explain the uses of national income statistics.
 - [10 marks]
 - (b) Discuss the three approaches used to compile national income accounts. [15 marks]
- 4. Explain how the central Bank can regulate money supply in Zimbabwe. [25 marks]
- 5. Use the following information to answer the questions that follow.

No: of workers	total product
1	4
2	12
3	19
4	24
5	28
6	31
7	33
8	33

a. Calculate the average product (AP)

[8marks]

b. Calculate the marginal product (MP)

[8marks]

- c. Explain the causes economies of scale and diseconomies of scale. [9 marks]
- 6. Evaluate any five canons of taxation that you are familiar with. [25marks]

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