SEMESTER 1

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MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (MMUST)

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UNIVERSITY MAIN EXAMINATIONS 2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR

FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

FOR THE DEGREE
OF
BACHELOR OF TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION
IN
BUILDING AND CIVIL TECHNOLOGY

COURSE CODE:

TEB 463

COURSE TITLE:

QUANTITY SURVEYING I

DATE: 11TH DECEMBER, 2024

TIME: 3 P.M - 5 P.M

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. This paper contains FIVE questions
- 2. Question ONE (1) is Compulsory
- 3. Attempt a total of THREE questions in this booklet.
- 4. Marks for each question are indicated in the parenthesis.

Examination duration is 2 Hours

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a) Give a brief historical back ground on how the field of quantity survey was developed into a profession in construction industry. (6 marks)
b) Distinguish between the roles of client's and contractor's quantity surveyors
(6 marks)
c) Clearly outline the process for formation of a building contract. (6 marks)
d) Define the term bills of quantities and state its purpose in construction industry
(8marks)

e) Explain the following parts of the bills of quantities

i) Preliminaries

(3 marks)

ii) Prime cost and provisional sums

(3 marks)

iii) Standard forms

(3 marks)

f) Describe the process of preparing the Bills of quantities using tradition method.

(5 marks)

Question 2

(15 marks)

a) The County Government of Lamu sets up a centre of excellence in marine technology at a cost of Kshs. 30 million. The contract period is estimated as 12 months, excluding defects liability period of six (6) months and final payment 2 months after the defects liability period. If the valuations per respective months are as tabulated below and retention percentage is 10%, draw out the valuation certificate for the whole 20 months period. (10 marks)

VALUATION SCHEDULE

MONTH	AMOUNT (KSHS)
1	1,500,000
2	2,000,000
3	3,500,000
4	1,600,000
5	2,400,000
6	3,200,000
7	2,800,000
8	4,000,000
9	2,900,000
10	1,100,000
11	3,800,000
12	1,200,000
TOTAL	30,000,000

 Explain the term valuation in a building contract. Prepare a diagrammatic presentation of valuation, certification and payment to a general contractor from pre-tender to defects repair periods. Assume 9 valuations during the contract periods (5 marks)

Question 3

(15 marks)

a) Explain the meaning of the term 'tendering' giving examples.

(4 marks)

b) Outline the procedure for open tendering.

(4 marks)

 c) It is essential to carry out cost-estimating before the proposed structure (project) is implemented. Justify this statement and describe the two types of estimates in construction industry. (7 marks)

Question 4

(15 marks)

Determine the material quantities and the cost of a substructure for Vocational Training Centre workshop measuring $12.0m \times 8.0m$ internally. (15 marks)

Specifications

The foundation is concrete strip $600m \times 200mm$ (1:3:6)

Foundation wall is dressed quarry stones 250×300 mm 1.0m deep from the stripped level. The hardcore is a well compacted layer of rough natural stones 300mm thick.

The blinding of 50mm murram.

DPM is 1000g polythene paper.

Over site concrete is 150mm thick concrete mix (1:2:4)

Take

- 1. Ballast (1600kg/m³) @ Kshs.2,300/= per tone.
- 2. Sand (1450kg/m³) @ Kshs.1, 000/= per tone
- 3. Hardcore (1500kg/m³) @ Kshs.800/= per tone.
- 4. Murram (1350kg/m³) @ Kshs.600/= per tone.
- 5. Cement (37 litres/bag) @ Kshs.700/= per bag
- 6. Water (litres) @ Kshs.1.0 per litre.
- 7. Dressed stones (meters) Kshs.240 per metre
- 8. Excavation
 - i) Stripping (150mm thick), 1 casual/m³ @ Kshs.200/= per m³
 - ii) Trench (1 casual/m³) @ Kshs.300/= per m³
- 9. Water to cement ratio (1:2.5)
- 10. 30% for wastage, spillage and shrinkage
- 11. Mortar (1:4) taking 25% of the foundation wall
- 12. Construction takes 18 days
 - i) 6 casual @ Kshs.500/= per head per day.
 - ii) 3 masons @ Kshs.800 per head per day

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