



ECONOMICS HIGHER LEVEL PAPER 2

Monday 16 May 2011 (afternoon)

1 hour

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Do not turn over this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Answer three questions.
- Use fully labelled diagrams and references to examples where appropriate.

Answer three questions. Each question is worth [10 marks].

- 1. Explain the concept of opportunity cost and how it may be used to show the difference between free goods and economic goods.
- **2.** Explain **two** possible ways a government may respond to market failure resulting from a polluting power station.
- 3. Explain why structural unemployment might persist despite high economic growth.
- **4.** A country suffers an inflation rate of 10%. Explain the costs associated with this for the country's economy?
- **5.** Given that a country's terms of trade are improving, explain the possible impact on its balance of payments on current account.
- **6.** Explain the importance of the concept of income elasticity of demand for the exports and imports of less-developed countries (LDCs).