



ECONOMICS STANDARD LEVEL PAPER 1

Monday 4 November 2013 (afternoon)

1 hour 30 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- You are not permitted access to any calculator for this paper.
- Section A: answer one question.
- Section B: answer one question.
- Use fully labelled diagrams and references to examples where appropriate.
- The maximum mark for this examination paper is [50 marks].

SECTION A

Answer one question from this section.

Microeconomics

1.	(a)	Using a diagram, explain why demerit goods are considered to be an example of market failure.	[10 marks]
	(b)	Evaluate two possible government responses that could be used to address the problem of demerit goods.	[15 marks]
2.	(a)	Explain three determinants of price elasticity of demand (PED).	[10 marks]
	(b)	Examine the role of PED for firms making decisions regarding price changes and their effect on total revenue.	[15 marks]

SECTION B

Answer one question from this section.

Macroeconomics

(a)	Distinguish between the causes of cyclical (demand-deficient) unemployment and structural unemployment.	[10 marks]
(b)	Evaluate government policies used to deal with cyclical unemployment.	[15 marks]
(a)	Explain how a producer price index could be useful in predicting future inflation.	[10 marks]
(b)	To what extent can supply-side policies help in fighting inflation?	[15 marks]
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