

**BINDURA UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE EDUCATION**

**FACULTY OF COMMERCE**

**DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS**

**MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN PURCHASING AND SUPPLY CHAIN:  
PUBLIC PROCUREMENT LAW AND POLICY.**

**COURSE CODE: SCM 504 (1)**

**DURATION: 3 HOURS**

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- 1. Answer four (4) questions**
- 2. All questions carry equal marks of 25 each**
- 3. No cell-phones allowed in the examination room**
- 4. All questions to be answered in the context of the Zimbabwe Public Procurement and Disposal of Public Assets Act / Regulations**

**QUESTION 1**

Discuss the role of Zimbabwean public procurement professionals in driving strategic procurement initiatives and recommend strategies for overcoming barriers to successful implementation in diverse socio-political contexts. **(25 marks)**

**QUESTION 2**

Discuss using examples, the complexities and challenges involved in bid evaluation processes within the public procurement framework in Zimbabwe. **(25 Marks)**

**QUESTION 3**

Explain how the Public Procurement and Disposal of Public Assets Act (Chapter 22:23) ensures that Procurement Entities implement the following principles of public procurement:

- a) Transparency. **(5 Marks)**

- b) Equal and Equitable Treatment of Bidders. (5 Marks)
- c) Economy and efficiency. (5 Marks)
- d) Value-for-money. (5 Marks)
- e) Probity or integrity. (5 Marks)

#### **QUESTION 4**

Explain any five reasons why the Government of Zimbabwe found it necessary to introduce the new public procurement Act and Regulations. (25 Marks)

#### **QUESTION 5**

“Public procurement plays a vital role in driving economic growth within a country”.

Critically discuss the above statement in the context of the Public Procurement and Disposal of Public Assets (PPDPA) Act. (25 Marks)

#### **QUESTION 6**

Identify and critically analyze the major challenges encountered by both public procurement entities and bidding suppliers in the bidding process. (25 Marks)

**END OF PAPER**