BINDURA UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE EDUCATION

FACULTY OF COMMERCE



DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN DEVELOPMENT ECONOMICS

INSTITUTIONS AND DEVELOPMENT (MEC513)

EXAMINATION

DURATION: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- 1. Answer any four (4) questions
- 2. The paper carries six questions
- 3. All questions carry equal marks of 25 each
- 4. The use of cellphones is not allowed in the exam

Question 1

With clearly stated assumptions, construct a game theoretic model that proves the basis for the need for institutions.

[25 marks]

Question 2

Delineate the types of institutions that are present in Zimbabwe.

(6 marks)

Detail the type of economic institutions that you consider important for economic outcomes

in Zimbabwe.

(19 marks)

[25 marks]

Question 3

Critique the applicability of the Rent-seeking view of institutions to Zimbabwe.

[25 marks]

Question 4

Critique micro and macro evidence on the contribution of institutions to economic development. [25 marks]

Question 5

If some institutions generate more income and growth, explain why a large number of societies adopt institutions that are detrimental to economic development. [25 marks]

Question 6

Detail the importance of economic institution, political power and political institutions to growth and development in Zimbabwe. [25 marks]

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