

BINDURA UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE EDUCATION

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

BSC SAFETY, HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

MSc OHSEM Part I Examination

APPLIED ENVIRONMENTAL AND NATURAL RESOURCES ECONOMICS

MOHS 511

3 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer QUESTION ONE from SECTION A and any other two questions from SECTION B.

Question one carries 50 Marks and the rest 25 Marks each.

SECTION A (COMPULSORY)

- (a) Explain the following terms:
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| (i) Efficiency | [2 Marks] |
| (ii) Optimality | [2 Marks] |
| (iii) Compensation variation | [3 Marks] |
| (iv) Equivalence variation | [3 Marks] |
| (v) Stock pollutant | [2 Marks] |
| (vi) Fund pollutant | [2 Marks] |
| (vii) Flow pollutant | [2 Marks] |
| (viii) Hartwick's rule | [2 Marks] |
| (ix) Hotelling's rent | [2 Marks] |
| (x) IPAT identity | [10 Marks] |
| (xi) With the aid of examples explain the different types of economic values. | [16 Marks] |
- (b) Create an IPAT identity for the use of petrol in Zimbabwe. [4 Marks]

Section B

2. (a) Discuss the applicability of the environmental Kuznets curves in the relationship of society and natural resources. [20 Marks]
- (b) Explain the steady state conditions in an open access fishery. [5 Marks]
3. (a) Build a case on the need for valuation of environmental resources. [10 Marks]
- (c) Explain the biases inherent in the contingent valuation method of environmental valuation. [10 Marks]
- Explain the limitations of the travel cost method in environmental valuation. [5 Marks]
4. Discuss the three pillars of Environmental, Social and Governance as a framework to assess business practices.. [25 Marks]
5. (a) The following equations refer to an open access fisheries situation

(where S=Stock, H= Harvest, and E= Effort), with the aid of examples explain the equations below:

(i) $dS/dt=G(S)$ **[5 Marks]**

(ii) $H/E=eS$ **[6 Marks]**

(iii) $Sdot=G(S)-H$ **[5 Marks]**

(b) (b) Explain the objectives of Natural Resources Accounting. **[5 Marks]**

(c) Explain the two characteristics of a perfect competition model inherent
in an open access fishery **[4 Marks]**

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