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 (3)

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

'Public Procurement is associated with many challenges which hinders its effective performance'.

Critically discuss the above statement, explaining how you can solve these challenges.

(25 Marks)

QUESTION 2

Write a position paper to the Procurement Regulatory Authority of Zimbabwe (PRAZ) suggesting ways to enhance the effective enforcement of the provisions of the Public Procurement and Disposal of Public Assets (PPDPA) Act.

(25 Marks)

QUESTION 3

Briefly discuss any twelve conditions of contract that must be included in a public procurement contract. (25 Marks)

QUESTION 4

Discuss the likely practical consequences of not complying with legally binding rules on specifications or ambiguous specifications. (25 Marks)

QUESTION 5

Discuss the challenges and opportunities of integrating sustainability criteria into procurement regulations and assess their impact on supplier selection, contract management, and overall procurement outcomes. (25 Marks)

QUESTION 6

- a) Discuss the critical role of contract management in ensuring the success of public procurement projects. (10 Marks)
- b) Propose strategies and best practices for enhancing contract management effectiveness, promoting transparency, accountability, and value for money in public procurement. (15 Marks)

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