## BINDURA UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE EDUCATION



## **FACULTY OF SCIENCE EDUCATION**

DEPARTMENT: CURRICULUM AND EDUCATIONAL MANAGEMENT STUDIES

PROGRAMME: MASTER OF SCIENCE EDUCATION

COURSE CODE: ME504 (01) NARRATION: MEASUREMENT AND EVALUATION

**DURATION: THREE HOURS** 

**TOTAL MARKS: 300** 

## INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. Answer question 1 and any other two questions.

2. Each question carries 100 marks except question 1 which carries the indicated marks which will be converted to a percentage.

3. Begin each question on a fresh page.

4. Relate your answers and examples to the education system context.

## Question 1

A school head believes that students who are good at Mathematics are also good at Science. A school head collected Mathematics and Science marks from a randomly selected group of ten students. The following is the information the school head obtained.

| Student          | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  | 9  | 10 |
|------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Maths<br>marks   | 48 | 67 | 39 | 34 | 43 | 65 | 53 | 47 | 62 | 47 |
| Science<br>marks | 56 | 79 | 37 | 41 | 47 | 65 | 62 | 59 | 70 | 51 |

- 1.1 Compute the Spearman rank order correlation coefficient of the sets of marks and determine whether the school head is justified to think that the students who are good at Mathematics are also good at Science [9]
- 1.2Calculate the percentile rank of student 6 in Mathematics.[4]
- 1.3In which subject did student 6 perform better than and as well as the other students who wrote the same tests? [24]

- 1.4 If a pass mark is pegged at 0.25 standard deviations below the mean, which students, if any, failed Mathematics? [8]
- 1.5 If a distinction is pegged at 1.6 standard deviations above the mean, which students, if any, got a distinction in Mathematics? [8]
- 2 Compare random and systematic errors in educational measurement and explain ways of minimising random errors. (100 marks)
- 3 Examine any four factors inherent in the test itself which could reduce its validity. (100 marks)
- 4 Evaluate the role of school based assessment as an integral part of the students' summative assessment. (100 marks)
- 5. Justify the use of Stufflebeam's CIPP model to evaluate a stated post-colonial educational programme in Zimbabwe. (100 marks).

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