## BINDURA UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE EDUCATION FACULTY OF COMMERCE



# DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS PROGRAMME: BCOM SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT DEGREE EXAMINATION

COURSE: HUMANITARIAN LOGISTICS SCM209

**DURATION:** 

3 HOURS

### INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

- 1. Answer any four (4) questions.
- 2. Begin a new answer on a fresh page.
- 3. No cell phones are allowed into the examination room.

#### Question 1

a) Humanitarian Logistics involves many functions including planning, preparedness and sourcing. Explain the key issues to be considered in each of these three functions.

(18 marks)

b) Explain how humanitarian logistics decisions are made to balance efficiency and responsiveness. (7 marks)

#### Question 2

A common theme in of Humanitarian Supply Chain Management is to provide service to humanity in the spirit of impartiality and neutrality without any discrimination. Discuss.

(25 marks)

#### Question 3

Market Assessment is one of the key function of supply chain to lay the foundation of a successful Cash Transfer Programming. Define market assessment, explaining key issues to be considered.

(25 marks)

#### **Question 4**

Discuss the challenges faced by humanitarian logistics in a sudden onset disaster like Cyclone Idai.

(25 marks)

#### Question 5

Sourcing, Transportation and facility configuration are the backbone of in-kind distribution planning. Explain why? (25 marks)

#### Question 6

- a. Compare and contrast humanitarian and commercial supply chains. (9 marks)
- b. Discuss the key issues to be carried out by supply chain unit in an operation or response phase of disaster response. (16 marks)

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