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KIRIRI WOMENS' UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION, 2022/2023 ACADEMIC YEAR
FIRST YEAR, SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION
FOR THE DIPLOMA IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
DPS 1107 - SUPPLY AND TRANSPORT MANAGEMENT

Date: 7TH DECEMBER, 2022
Time:

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

ANSWER QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Keya Manufacturers LTD has adopted a centralized structure for its supplies function. Discuss three advantages of this move to the organization. (6 Marks)
- b) Highlight four possible sourcing policies in an organization. (4 Marks)
- c) Explain three methods that can be used by the purchasing and supply department during inspection of materials. (6 Marks)
- d) Explain three types of stock in an organization. (6 Marks)
- e) Discuss two roles of the vehicle inspection unit in Kenyan road transport regulation. (4 Marks)
- f) Explain four operational characteristics of a good store layout. (4 Marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Mwihoko Freight company LTD, prefer storing their materials in bonded warehouses. Explain four operational characteristics of the warehouse. (8 Marks)
- b) Explain three duties of a store supervisor in a supply department of an organization. (6 Marks)
- c) Explain three supplier sourcing policies that can be used by the supply and purchasing department. (6 Marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain four factors that are considered by an organization when selecting a mode of transport for its materials. (8 Marks)
- b) Njogu clearing and forwarding firm is in the process of constructing a warehouse within their Premises. Explain three safety precautions that the company should consider to ensure the safety of staff in the warehouse. (6 Marks)
- c) Explain three factors determining stock holding in a production unit. (6 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) One of the aspects considered during supplier evaluation is the past performance record of a supplier. Explain three reasons for evaluating supplier past performance (6 Marks)
- b) Ngara company limited has decided to outsource its transport function to a third party operator. Highlight four reasons that may have influenced the company to make such a decision. (8 Marks)
- c) Stock control is the function responsible for planning and maintaining the right quantity of materials in order to reduce costs. Explain three methods that can be used to reduce cost of stock. (6 Marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss four circumstances under which a trader would choose Railway rather than road transport to deliver a consignment from Nairobi to Malaba. (8 Marks)
- b) Explain three objectives that a supply department seek to achieve in an organization. (6 Marks)
- c) Highlight three operational features that distinguish carrier transporters from non-carrier transporters. (6 Marks)