

NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE

GRADE 12

JUNE 2024

ECONOMICS P1

MARKS: 150

TIME: 2 hours

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INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION

 Answer FOUR questions as follows in the ANSWER BOOK:

SECTION A: COMPULSORY

SECTION B: Answer any TWO of the three

questions.

SECTION C: Answer ONE of the two questions.

- 2. Answer only the required number of questions. Answers in excess of the required number will NOT be marked.
- 3. Number the answers correctly according to the numbering system used in this question paper.
- 4. Write the question number above each answer.
- 5. Read the questions carefully.
- 6. Start EACH question on a NEW page.
- 7. Leave 2–3 lines between subsections of questions.
- 8. Answer the questions in full sentences and ensure that the format, content and context of your responses comply with the cognitive requirements of the questions.
- 9. Use only black or blue ink.
- 10. You may use a non-programmable pocket calculator.
- Write neatly and legibly.

SECTION A (COMPULSORY) 30 MARKS – 20 MINUTES

QUESTION 1

- 1.1 Various options are provided as possible answers to the following questions. Choose the answer and write only the letter (A–D) next to the question numbers (1.1.1 to 1.1.8) in the ANSWER BOOK, for example 1.1.9 D.
 - 1.1.1 The method of calculating GDP whereby compensation of employees is taken into consideration is called the ... -method.
 - A income
 - B production
 - C value-added
 - D expenditure
 - 1.1.2 A business cycle that is caused by changes in the building and construction industry is called the ... cycle.
 - A Juggler
 - B Kondratieff
 - C Kitchin
 - D Kuznets

- 1.1.3 The government level that consists of metropoles, districts and municipalities is called a ... government.
 - A provincial
 - B foreign
 - C local
 - D central
- 1.1.4 The difference between visible exports and visible imports is known as ...
 - A terms of trade.
 - B trade balance.
 - C trade liberalisation.
 - D trade protocol.
- 1.1.5 Spending that takes place irrespective of the level of income is called ...
 - A induced consumption.
 - B autonomous consumption.
 - C government expenditure.
 - D private expenditure.

- 1.1.6 An economic indicator showing the general direction in which the economy is moving is referred to as the ...
 - A length.
 - B amplitude.
 - C trend line.
 - D extrapolation.
- 1.1.7 A duty of an individual or organisation to explain their decisions and actions and accept responsibility for their behaviour is known as ...
 - A effectiveness.
 - B self-interest.
 - C inefficiency.
 - D accountability.
- 1.1.8 A decrease in the value of the currency due to market forces is known as ...
 - A depreciation.
 - B appreciation.
 - C revaluation.
 - D evaluation. (8 x 2) (16)

1.2 Choose a description from COLUMN B that matches the item in COLUMN A. Write only the letter (A–I) next to the question numbers (1.2.1 to 1.2.8) in the ANSWER BOOK, for example 1.2.9 J.

COLUMN A		COLUMN B	
1.2.1	Leakages	A	special form of credit that the IMF can use when a country experiences balance of payment difficulties
1.2.2	New economic paradigm	В	goods that have benefits for their users and the economy
1.2.3	Merit goods	С	the proportion of additional income that households choose to spend on goods and services
1.2.4	Special Drawings Rights	D	a sum of taxes, imports and savings in a circular flow
1.2.5	Marginal propensity to consume	E	the government policy that is aiming at creating economic growth, without causing inflation

1.2.6	Cash reserve requirements	F	buying of financial assets such as shares in companies on the stock exchange of another country
1.2.7	Parastatals	G	goods that are potentially harmful to the society
1.2.8	Portfolio investment	Н	businesses owned wholly or partly by the state and run by a public authority
		I	used to control the money supply through the buying and selling of government securities

(8 x 1) (8)

1.3 Give ONE term for each of the following descriptions. Write only the term next to the question numbers (1.3.1 to 1.3.6) in the ANSWER BOOK.

Abbreviations, acronyms and examples will NOT be accepted.

- 1.3.1 An economy that includes the foreign sector
- 1.3.2 The point where economic contraction is at its lowest
- 1.3.3 The use of taxation and government expenditure to achieve macroeconomic objectives
- 1.3.4 The worldwide integration of economies with trade as an important element
- 1.3.5 An estimate of income and expenditure for a three-year period during the budgeting process
- 1.3.6 An increase in the production of goods and services of a country over a period, usually a year (6 x 1) (6)

TOTAL SECTION A: 30

SECTION B

QUESTION 2: MACROECONOMICS 40 MARKS – 30 MINUTES

- 2.1 Answer the following questions.
 - 2.1.1 Name any TWO characteristics of public goods. (2)
 - 2.1.2 How can competition stimulate aggregate supply? (2)
- 2.2 Study the information below and answer the questions that follow.

MULTIPLIER IN A TWO SECTOR ECONOMY

Country **Y** has only two participants and has a marginal propensity to consume of 0,6.

The country's autonomous consumption is 30. The equilibrium national income is 75.

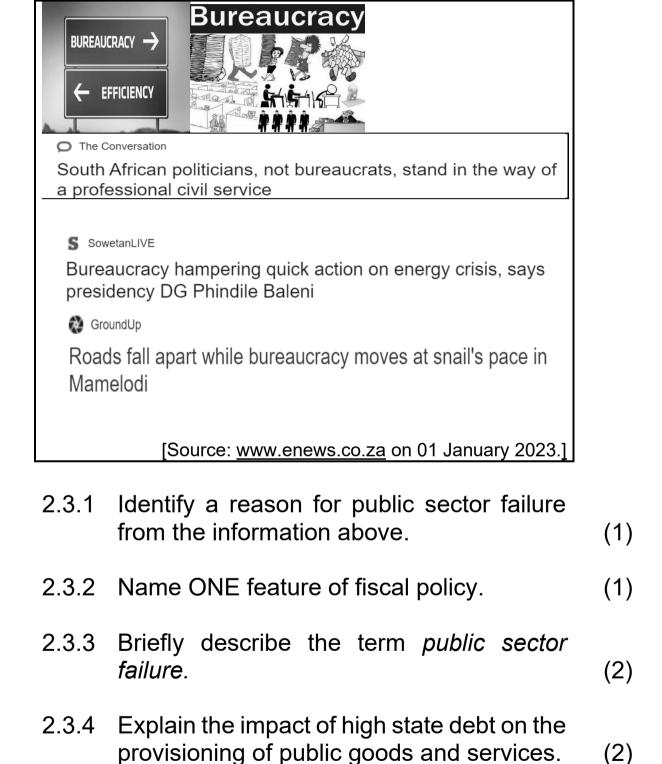
[Adapted from Clever Economics, p163]

- 2.2.1 Identify a term that refers to spending, which does not depend on income. (1)
- 2.2.2 Name ONE participant in a closed economy. (1)
- 2.2.3 Briefly describe the concept *multiplier*. (2)

2.2.4 Explain the impact of an increase in savings on the value of the multiplier. (2)

2.2.5 Draw a well-labelled graph of a multiplier using the information from the extract. (4)

2.3 Study the information below and answer the questions that follow.



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How can public sector failure affect the

(4)

2.3.5

economy?

2.4 Briefly discuss the real (actual) business cycle without the graph. (8)

2.5 How can the South African government improve the quality of public sector provisioning? (8)

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QUESTION 3: MACROECONOMICS 40 MARKS – 30 MINUTES

- 3.1 Answer the following questions.
 - 3.1.1 Name any TWO indicators underpinning forecasting in business cycles. (2)
 - 3.1.2 How can income tax brackets influence taxpayers? (2)
- 3.2 Study the information below and answer the questions that follow.

Forecasting is a technique that uses historical data as inputs to make informed estimates, that are predictive in determining the direction of future trends.

Following the global financial crisis (GFC) of 2008–09, the South African economy experienced an unusual business cycle for more than a decade. The post-GFC global economic recovery was relatively uneven, with weak economic growth and low interest rates.

[Adapted from Investopedia.com.]

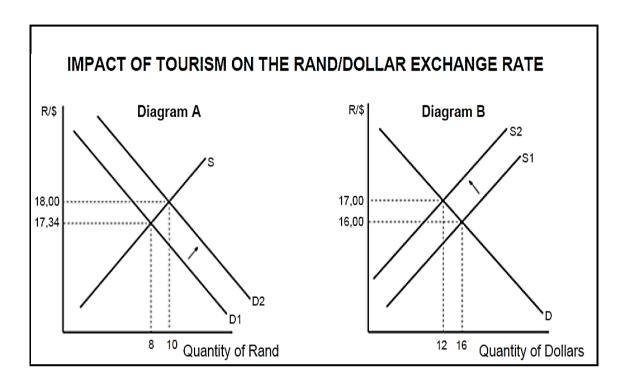
- 3.2.1 Identify a business cycle phase from the extract above. (1)
- 3.2.2 Name ONE type of business cycle. (1)
- 3.2.3 Briefly explain the term *business cycles.* (2)

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3.2.4 Explain the importance of moving averages as a feature underpinning forecasting. (2)

3.2.5 Why is it important for economists to make forecasts? (4)

3.3 Study the graph below and answer the questions that follow.



- 3.3.1 Identify a diagram from above that represents an increase in the number of tourists from the USA to South Africa. (1)
- 3.3.2 Name the exchange rate system used in South Africa. (1)
- 3.3.3 Briefly describe the term *exchange rate.* (2)
- 3.3.4 Explain the impact on the rand if the number of tourists from South Africa to the USA decreases. (2)
- 3.3.5 What benefits can countries of the world obtain from international trade? (4)

3.4 Discuss the endogenous (Keynesian) explanation of business cycles. (8)

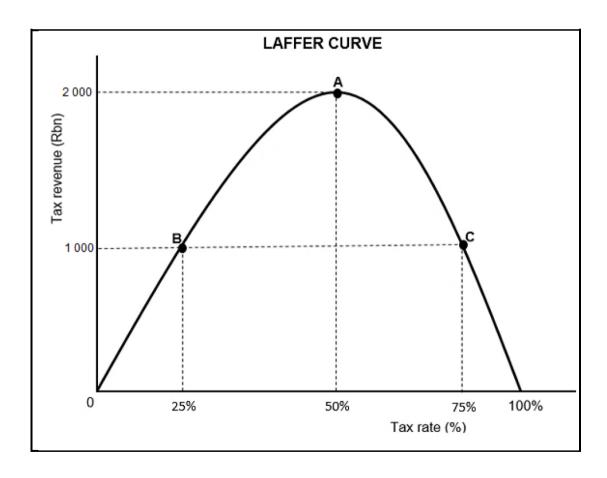
3.5 How can the national budget promote socioeconomic rights?

(8)

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QUESTION 4: MACROECONOMICS AND ECONOMIC PURSUITS 40 MARKS – 30 MINUTES

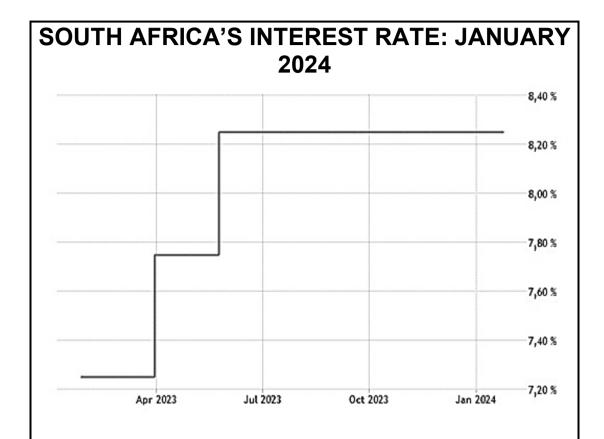
- 4.1 Answer the following questions.
 - 4.1.1 Name any TWO features of public sector failure. (2)
 - 4.1.2 How can the government use taxation to stimulate economic recovery? (2)
- 4.2 Study the graph below and answer the questions that follow.



4.2.1 Identify the tax rate at which the government maximises tax revenue. (1)

4.2.2	Name any form of indirect tax paid by households to the government.	(1)
4.2.3	Briefly describe the term <i>progressive tax</i> .	(2)
4.2.4	Explain the effect of a regressive tax system on income distribution.	(2)
4.2.5	Why will tax revenue decrease if the government imposes very high tax rates?	(4)

4.3 Study the information below and answer the questions that follow.



The Reserve Bank unanimously decided to keep its key repo rate at 8,25% on January, 2024. It noted that the return of inflation to the target has been slow. Headline inflation fell for a second month to 5,1% in December.

[Adapted from tradingeconomics.com]

- 4.3.1 Identify the period with the lowest repo rate in the information above. (1)
- 4.3.2 Name the committee responsible for taking interest rate decisions in South Africa. (1)
- 4.3.3 Briefly describe the term *repo rate.* (2)

	4.3.4 Explain the relationship between infla	
	4.3.5 How can moral suasion be used as a to dampen the overheated economy?	
4.4	Briefly discuss <i>price stability</i> and <i>econdequity</i> as macroeconomic objectives.	omic (8)
4.5	How will producers respond to the difference of the business cycle?	erent (8) [40]
	TOTAL SECTION	N B: 80

SECTION C

Answer any ONE question of the TWO questions in the ANSWER BOOK.

Your answer will be assessed as follows:

STRUCTURE OF ESSAY	MARK
	ALLOCATION
Introduction	
The introduction is a lower-order response.	Max. 2
A good starting point would be to define the main	
concept related to the question topic.	
 Do NOT include any part of the question in your introduction. 	
 Do NOT repeat any part of the introduction in the body. Avoid mentioning in the introduction what you are 	
going to discuss in the body.	
Body	
Main part: Discuss in detail/In-depth	May 26
discussion/Examine/Critically discuss/Analyse/Compare/	Max. 26
Evaluate/Distinguish/Differentiate/Explain/Draw a graph	
and explain/Use the graph given and explain/Complete	
the given graph/Assess/Debate	Max. 10
A maximum of 8 marks may be allocated for	
headings/examples.	
Additional part: Critically discuss/Evaluate/Critically	
evaluate/Debate/ Deduce/Compare/ Distinguish/ Interpret/How?/Suggest	
A maximum of 2 marks may be allocated for mere	
listing of facts.	
Conclusion	
Any higher-order conclusion should include:	
A brief summary of what has been discussed without	M 0
repeating facts already mentioned	Max. 2
Any opinion or value judgment on the facts discussed	
 Additional support information to strengthen the 	
discussion/analysis	
A contradictory viewpoint with motivation, if required	
Recommendations	
TOTAL	40

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QUESTION 5: MACROECONOMICS 40 MARKS – 40 MINUTES

 Discuss in detail the markets within the four-sector circular flow model.

(26 marks)

 How can the increase in injections impact on the South African economy?

(10 marks) [40]

QUESTION 6: ECONOMIC PURSUITS 40 MARKS – 40 MINUTES

- Discuss in detail the reasons for international trade. (26 marks)
- How can a currency (rand) depreciation affect the economy?
 (10 marks) [40]

TOTAL SECTION C: 40

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