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ECN 105 / CEC 121: INTRODUCTION TO MACROECONOMICS

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Duration: 2 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question ONE and ANY OTHER TWO Questions

- Q1. a) Distinguish clearly between the following terms:
- i) Microeconomics and macroeconomics **(2 marks)**
 - ii) Final product and intermediate product **(2 marks)**
 - iii) Gross domestic product and gross national product **(2 marks)**
 - iv) A private closed economy and a private open economy. Illustrate your answer **(3 marks)**
 - v) Demand pull inflation and cost push inflation **(4 marks)**
- b) Explain briefly the following terms
- i) Sticky prices **(2 marks)**
 - ii) Personal disposable income **(2 marks)**
 - iii) GDP deflator **(2 marks)**
 - iv) Investment demand curve. Illustrate your answer **(4 marks)**
- c) List three (3) major concerns of macroeconomics **(3 marks)**
- d) Given the following information for a hypothetical economy for a particular year:
- Personal consumption = Kshs 100
 - Gross investment = Kshs 25
 - Government purchases = Kshs 30
 - Exports = Kshs 30
 - Imports = Kshs 38

Find the GDP of this economy **(2 marks)**

- e) Consider an economy that, last year produced, 15 oranges, 10 bananas, and 20 apples. The market prices were Kshs 10, 8, and 5 per orange, banana, and apple, respectively. Compute the GDP for this economy. **(2 marks)**

Q2. a) Explain briefly the functions of money **(6 marks)**

b) Explain briefly the tools of monetary policy **(6 marks)**

c) Using appropriate illustration, explain briefly the use of contractionary fiscal policy to address the problem of inflation **(4 marks)**

d) Explain briefly the statement that 'some people gain while others are hurt by inflation' **(4 marks)**

Q3. a) Explain briefly six (6) aspects about GDP **(10 marks)**

b) Using suitable illustration, explain briefly the determination of equilibrium output in a mixed open economy **(4 marks)**

c) Given the following information about an economy:
 $C = 105 + 0.85Y_d$, $Y_d = Y - T$, $I = 50$; $X_n = 10$; $G = 20$; $T = 0.20Y$

Required to:

- i) Determine the equilibrium output **(4 marks)**
ii) State the type of this economy **(2 marks)**

Q4. a) Explain the non-income determinants of consumption and saving **(6 marks)**

b) Distinguish between average propensity to consume (APC) and average propensity to save (APS) **(4 marks)**

c) Given the following data for a hypothetical economy

| Disposable income (Kshs) | Consumption (Kshs) |
|--------------------------|--------------------|
| 0 | 100 |
| 200 | 260 |
| 400 | 420 |
| 600 | 580 |
| 800 | 740 |

Required to compute at each income level:

- i) The amount of saving **(2 marks)**
ii) APC (Average Propensity to Consume) **(2 marks)**

- iii) APS (Average Propensity to Save) (2 marks)
- iv) MPC (marginal propensity to consume) (2 marks)
- v) MPS (marginal propensity to save) (2 marks)

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