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GEOGRAPHY PAPER 2

FORM FOUR EXAMINATION

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Instructions: This paper contains two section A and B**Answer all questions in section A and any two questions from section B**

1. (a) i) Apart from geothermal power, name three other renewable sources of energy in Kenya

- ✓ Wind
- ✓ Solar/sun
- ✓ Wood
- ✓ Biogas. (3×1=3mks)

ii. State two factors that limit exploitation of geothermal power in Kenya

- ✓ Inadequate/shortage of capital to invest in geothermal power production
- ✓ Shortage of skilled labor to install the geothermal power
- ✓ Low level of technology which hinders exploitation of energy (2×1=2mks)

2. (a) . Give **four** advantages of air transport over water transport.

- ✓ Air transport is faster
 - ✓ Air transport is less affected by congestion
 - ✓ Air transport is easier in transporting perishable goods
 - ✓ Air transport is most comfortable over long distances.
 - ✓ Air transport allows access to remote areas.
- (4×1 = 4 mks

(b.) Name three types of communication.

- Oral/verbal communication
- Written communication
- Visual/audio communication
- Sign language. (3×1 =3mks)

3 (a) Name two tourist attraction found in Kenyan Rift Valley.

- Lakes e.g Nakuru, Baringo, Naivasha, Elementaita.
- Flamingoes / birds.
- People's culture.
- Mining sites e.g Kariandusi.
- Nakuru National park.

- Hot springs / geysers / fumaroles / geothermal.
- Menengai crater.
- Water falls - Thomson falls.
- Wildlife.
- Pre-historic sites e.g Kapenguria.
- Sport tourism e.g sport fishing, marathon. (2 x 1 = 2 Marks)

(b) State three factors that hinder domestic tourism in Kenya.

- Negative attitude towards local tourism by the citizens.
- High cost of accommodation in the lodges and hotels discourages many people.
- Poor transport and communication network of roads leading to the parks and other attractive sites.
- Preferential treatment gives to the foreign tourists discourage locals.
- Inadequate knowledge on the tourist attractive sites
(3×1=3mks)

4.(a) **What are floods?**

- Floods are unusual/excessive covering of an area by water, through a temporary rise in the level of river, lake, sea or rain. (2Marks)

(b) **Mention two advantages of farrow irrigation.**

- Furrows can be repaired when they become eroded.
- Weeds grows in the furrows are constantly removed.
(2 x 1 = 2 Marks)

(c) **Name one river which causes large scale flooding in Kenya**

- River Tana
- River Yala
- River Nyando
- River EwasoNyiro
- River Nzoia
- River Kuja (1x 1 = 1Mark)

5. (ii) **Name two major imports from Europe to Kenya**

- Machinery
- Capital equipment
- Pharmaceutical products/medicine
- Fertilizers
- Automobiles(2×1=2Marks)

(b) **State three factors that influence internal trade in Kenya**

- Population size
- Cultural differences
- Production of similar goods for trade by different regions.
- Level of development of transport network:
- Level of income or purchasing power.
- Security:
(3×1=3mks)

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SECTION B

Answer question 6 and any other questions from this section

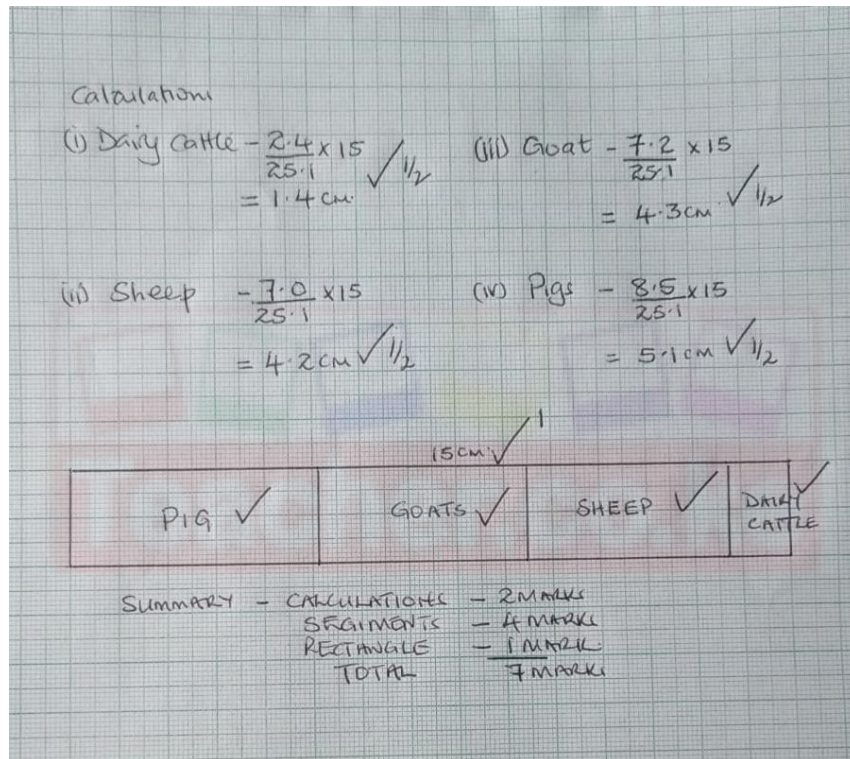
6. The table below shows total number of livestock in Kenya in 2012

Type of livestock	Number in millions
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Dairy cattle	2.4
Sheep	7.0
Goats	7.2
Pigs	8.5
Total	25.1

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics

(a) Draw a divided rectangle 15 cm to represent the data give above (7Mark)



(b) Give two reason why the population of sheep is higher than that of dairy cattle

- Sheep survive in a variety of climatic conditions while dairy cattle are restricted to cool and wet climate
- The farm inputs required for dairy cattle are more expensive than those for sheep
- Some breeds of sheep are more resistant to diseases that dairy cattle thus they are more widespread.
- The management of dairy cattle is more demanding than that of sheep

(2 x 2 = 4Marks)

(c). Explain three factors that favour beef farming in Argentina.

- Replacement of coarse grasses with alfalfa and corn has improved the quality of pastures of the beef cattle.
- Crossbreeding of traditional with higher quality breeds/ Hereford Aberdeen
- Angus shorthorn has improved the quality of the yields
- The maritime climate of the area makes grazing of cattle possible throughout the Year
- Availability of water supplied using wind pumps ensures constant supply of water for cattle
- Availability of vast lands suitable for cattle grazing encourages beef ranching
- Availability of market both local and external encourages the farmers to expand the beef industry/ sustains the industry.
- Availability of refrigeration facilities enables beef to reach far off markets in good condition.

(3×2=6Marks)

(b) Explain four ways in which the government of Kenya assist nomadic pastoralist to improve the quality of their livestock

- The government has set up demonstrations ranches to educate the pastoralists on better ways of keeping livestock cattle dips have been constructed to control pests
- Extension services are provided to give advice to the pastoralists
- Boreholes and dams have been constructed to provide water for their livestock
- Roads have been constructed to enable the pastoralists to transport their produce to markets
- Through formal education, the pastoralists have learnt the advantage of keeping manageable sizes of herds
- The government encourages ranching to enable the pastoralists to view livestock Keeping as a commercial undertaking

(4×2=8mks)

7. (a) (i) What is rural settlement? (2 marks)

- These are human habitats that consists of villages and homesteads and people mainly engage in extractive / primary activities. **(2 Marks)**

(ii)State three characteristics of rural settlements.

- Consist of homestead and villages.
- Dormant activities are extractive/primary activities.
- Found mainly in the country sides.
- Agriculture is their main source of occupation.

(3 X 1 = 3Marks)

(b) Explain three factors that led to the growth of Kisumu City

- Its location at the shores of Lake Victoria led to its growth as a lake port handling trade among the three East African countries.
- In 1901 Kisumu became a terminus for the Uganda railway allowing the influx and settlement of early Asian traders. This led to commercial development of the town.
- Kisumu was a regional administrative centre during the colonial period. This led to setting up of administrative offices and other infrastructural facilities.
- The rich hinterland with mineral/agricultural resources provided raw materials for the development of industries/food supply for the town residents.
- The high population in the surrounding areas provided the required labour force for the development of industries.
- The nearby rivers and Lake Victoria provided fresh water for industrial/domestic use.
- The well-developed means of transport/road/ railway/ airport made the town easily accessible from other parts of the country.

(3×2=6Marks)

(c) Explain how the following problems facing Kisumu can be solved.

(i) Pollution

- Disposal of garbage can be improved by providing proper materials for collection
- Regular collection of garbage to avoid heaping wastes.
- Regular dredging of sewerage and drainage system to avoid stagnant water.
- Enacting enforcing laws on environmental management/charging those found contravening the laws.
- Treatment of effluents from industries before disposal
- Educating the members of the public on dangers of pollution/ on the appropriate ways of refuse disposal to avoid polluting the environment
- Recycling of waste materials to minimize waste on the environment.

(1×2=2Marks)

(ii) Crime

- Encouraging community policing to complement the effort of the police force.
 - Controlling the influx of illegal arms in order to reduce the incidents of thuggery.
 - Enforcing laws without favour to provide protection to the law abiding citizens.
 - Getting rid of street families to reduce the number of idlers in the towns.
- Creation of more job opportunities to reduce the number of idlers.

(1×2=2Marks)

(iii) Unemployment

- Expanding and establishing more industries
 - Encouraging and enabling people to be self-employed.
- Reviving the collapsed industries to offer more employment opportunities.

(1×2=2Marks)

(d) Explain four ways in which Rotterdam port differs from Mombasa port (8 marks)

- Rotterdam has expanded to a new port hence handle large amount of cargo while Mombasa has had little expansion thus handle less cargo.

- Rotterdam uses advanced technology to provide services while Mombasa has limited expansion in technology hence provision of services are slow.
 - Rotterdam is connected to the hinterland by railway road, pipeline, air and rivers and canals while Mombasa is connected by road, railway, air and pipeline only.
 - Imports passing through Rotterdam are fuels, minerals, agricultural products while Mombasa imports are manufactured goods, petroleum and chemicals.
 - Main exports in Rotterdam are manufacture goods and chemicals while at Mombasa exports are minerals and agricultural products.
 - Rotterdam serves rich developed and industrialized hinterland while Mombasa serves developing and agricultural hinterland.
- (4 x 2 = 8 marks)**

8 a) i). Differentiate between indigenous and exotic forests.

- Indigenous forests is a forest that is made up of trees which are native/natural to a country/region while exotic forest is a forest that is composed of trees that are alien to a country. **(2Marks)**

ii). Give two exotic hardwood tree species found in Kenya

- Eucalyptus
- Camphor
- Olive
- Iron wood **(2 x 1 = 2Marks)**

iii). State four factors that lead to depletion of forests in Kenya.

- The government policy of degazetement has allowed illegal cultivation and settlement in forest areas.
 - Increased population of elephants that destroy trees
 - Prolonged droughts have caused drying up of some trees.
 - Plant diseases and pests destroy parts of forests.
 - Over exploitation of certain species of trees
- (4×1=4Marks)**

b). Explain three factors that favour the growth of natural forests on the slopes of Mt. Kenya

- The area receives high rainfall/1000 mm-2200mm throughout the year which encourages continuous growth of trees.
 - The area has deep fertile volcanic soil that allow the roots for penetration deep into the ground support trees.
 - The area is a gazetted reserve prohibiting cultivation and settlement hence allowing growth of trees.
 - The steep slopes discourage settlement thus forests thrive.
- (3×2=6Marks)**

c). Compare forestry in Kenya and Canada under the following headings;

i). Mode of exploitation In Kenya workers are transported to the logging sites daily while in Canada logging involves setting up a settlement for workers within a region to be harvested. (2Marks)

ii). Transport

In Kenya transportation is mainly by road transport while in Canada transport is mainly by water transport. (2Marks)

d). i). State three factors favouring the development of softwood forests in Canada

- Cool to cold climate favours the growth of coniferous trees
- Rugged landscape and steep slopes discourages agriculture and settlement hence forests establish themselves naturally
- Canada has a low population density hence a lot of land for forestry
- Presence of heavy rainfall on the windward slopes of mtn ranges supports tree growth (3 x 1 =3 Marks)

ii). Give four measures used to conserve forests in Kenya. (4mks)

- Mature trees felled are replaced immediately.
- Tree farming is practiced in many parts with the aim of raising trees for future use.
- Regions which previously were devoid of trees are being planted with trees
- People are now being encouraged to plant trees and food crops in the same farms.
- The reduction of wastage e.g. the use of waste paper to produce newsprint.
- People are required to seek permits if they have to cut trees. This reduces the rate of trees felling/unlicensed people do not cut down trees.
- The forest reserves are patrolled by guards to ensure that fires are reported promptly and also to ensure unlicensed people do not cut down trees.
- Forest reserves have been set aside to conserve indigenous species.
- Forestry department of the ministry of natural resources carry out research to produce and distribute seedlings to ensure the extension of forests.
- People are being educated through mass media on the importance of trees

9.a)i) Methods of land reclamation

- Irrigation
- Tsetse fly control
- Planting of trees / afforestation
- Flood control

(2 × 1 = 2 marks)

ii) Methods of swamp drainage

- Construction of drainage pipes.

- Digging open ditches / canals.
- Pumping out water. (2 × 1 = 2 marks)

b) i) **Two rivers that supply water to Mwea**

- Thiba River
- Nyamindi river
- Murubaru river. (2 × 1 = 2 marks)

ii) **Factors influencing establishment of Mwea irrigation scheme**

Topography

- The gently slopping / undulating land makes it possible for water to flow by gravity onto / out of the irrigated land.
- The gently slopping land allows for mechanization which allows large areas to be put under cultivation. (1 × 2 = 2 marks)

Soils

- Presence of black cotton soil which retains water for a long time suitable for cultivation of rice. (1 × 2 = 2marks)

Population

- The area was originally sparsely populated which enabled large areas to be put under cultivation / very few people were displaced thus it as cheaper to start the scheme. (1 × 2 = 2 marks)

Government policy

- There was need to keep political detainees busy / use them to provide free labour. This made the colonial government to set up Mwea where scheme there was a large detention camp. (1 × 2 = 2 marks)

c) i) **Three areas of Zuider zee project**

- North Eastern folder
- South Flavoland
- East flavoland
- Markerward
- Wie ringer meer polder. (3 × 1 = 3 marks)

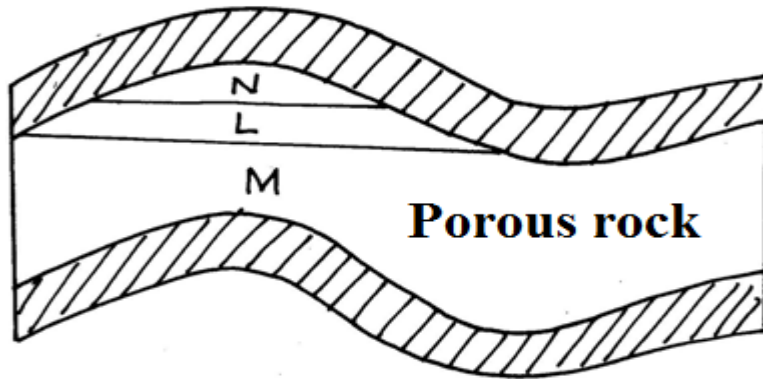
ii) **Differences between land reclamation in Kenya and Netherlands.**

- In Kenya the reclaimed land is relatively small while areas reclaimed in the Netherlands are large.
- In Kenya irrigation is used as a means of reclaiming dry areas while irrigation in the Netherlands is used to lower salinity of the soil in reclaimed lands.
- In Kenya simple methods like digging canals ditches to drain water from the land while in the Netherlands highly advanced methods like draining land from the sea/ creating a polder are used.
- In Kenya dykes are used to control water floods while in the Netherlands dykes protect the reclaimed land from invasion by the sea.
- In Kenya land is reclaimed from marginal areas and swamps while in the Netherlands it is from the sea.

- Drought resistant crops are planted in marginal areas while in the Netherlands hardy crops like oats, barley are planted in the polders.
 - In Kenya there is low market for irrigated crops while in the Netherlands there is a large market for irrigated crops.
- (4 × 2 = 8 marks Comparison must be complete to score.)

10. (a)(i) Name the substances

(3mks)



L-Oil

M-Underground water

N-Natural gas

(3 × 1 =3 Marks)

(ii) Give three by-products obtained when crude oil is refined

(3mks)

- Bitumen
- Wax
- Lubricants such as grease
- Petrochemicals

(3 × 1 =3 Marks)

(b) State five effects of mining on the environment

(5mks)

Mining causes

- dereliction of land
- Pollution of water and land
- Disruption /lowering of the water table
- Instability of basement rock
- Destruction of bio diversity
- Soil erosion
- Wastage of agricultural land

(5 × 1 =5 Marks)

**(c)(i) Describe the stages involved in the processing of trona from lake magadi
(6mks)**

On reaching the factory ,trona is separated from water by being put on large sieve -like trays√

The water from the trona is directed back into the lake√

The trona is then washed to remove impurities such as mud and salt.It is heaped on the ground to dry√

After drying ,it is heated in huge cylinders called desiccators .The heating separates sodium carbonate (soda ash) from sodium bi -carbonate √.

When heating is complete, the soda ash is allowed to cool√.

Soda ash is then ground into powder and sieved√

The powder is packed in paper or jute bags, ready for transportation to the market√.

(6 x 1 = 6marks Procedure must be followed)

**(ii) Ways in which Kenya has been profited from the mining of trona on lake magadi
(8mks)**

- Through exporting trona ,the country earns foreign exchange which is used to important essential items like machinery
- The mining of trona has created employment to many Kenyans improving their living standards it has led to establishment of industries by providing raw materials e.g glass industries
- It has led to provision of social amenities e.g hospitals, schools hence improving living standards.
- Mining of trona has stimulated the development of transport lines e.g it has led to the growth of Magadi town.
- The company that runs the mining of trona has improved the living standards of the local people by providing free water for domestic and livestock use
- The government earns revenue through taxation of the earnings from the sale of "soda ash.

(4 x 2 =8 Marks)



