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KIRIRI WOMENS' UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION, 2019/2020 ACADEMIC YEAR FOURTH YEAR, FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE IN BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION)

Date: 12th April, 2019 Time: 11.00am – 1.00pm

KFI 303 - MONETARY THEORY AND POLICY

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

ANSWER QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) AND ANYOTHER TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

a) The standard was the dominant system in the first, second and third generation central banking. Explain how a trade deficit affected gold reserves and how this reserve position was corrected in the gold standard system.

(6 marks)

- b) Discuss the Baumol theory of money demand and highlight the assumptions of the model. (7 marks)
- c) Using examples, where necessary, distinguish between the following pair of terms as used in monetary economics:
 - i) Nominal inflation and real inflation. (3 marks)
 - ii) High Powered Money and Money Supply. (3 marks)
 - iii) Time deposits and Checkable deposits. (3 marks)
 - iv) Monetary policy and Monetary theory. (3 marks)
- d) Kenya had experience a depressed economic performance between 2008 and 2011. Explain how the Central Bank of Kenya (CBK) pulled the economy out of this trough. (5 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

a) In developing economies, credit inflation has been a major source of price instability. How does the central bank use monetary policy to solve the problem?

(10 marks)

b) Discuss the very vital determinants of money supply.

(10 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Illustrate and explain the effect of a sale of government bond in an economy whose money demand function is perfectly elastic. (10 Marks)
- b) Discuss the functions of the Central Bank in a developing economy. (10 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain the Tobin's Portfolio Approach to Money Demand and show how it overcomes some weaknesses of the Keynesian thought. (10 marks)
- b) Explain how a current account deficit problem can be addressed by monetary policy. (10 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Is the Central Bank involved in the credit creation process? Explain your answer. (5 marks)
- b) Using the Keynesian theory, explain how an increase in money supply affects prices in the economy. (10 marks)
- c) Explain how the Central Bank can help in improving a deficit situation in the capital account.

(5 marks)