

NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA FACULTY OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS AND EXTENSION SECOND SEMESTER POP EXAMINATION SEPTEMBER, 2019

Programme: Agricultural Extension and Management

Course Code: AEM 724

Course Title: Macroeconomics

Credit Unit: 2

Total Score: 70 Marks

Time Allowed: 2 Hours

Instruction: Answer compulsory question one (1) (25 marks) and any other 3 (3) Questions (15marks each)

- 1a. There are two basic approaches to economic study and analysis: Microeconomics and Macroeconomics. In your own view, what is macroeconomics all about? (5 marks)
- b. Macroeconomics is composed of different areas, based on different schools of thought. These schools of thoughts are the Classical Economics, Neoclassical Economics, Keynesian Economics and Neo Keynesian Economics. Appraise these different schools of thought using two (2) instances each. (8 marks)
- c. Discuss the Absolute Income Hypothesis and Life Cycle Hypothesis using in each case six (6) instances. (12 marks)
- 2. Using **five (5)** instances each, justify the;
 - a. Classical views of full employment (7 ¹/₂ mks)
 - b. Keynesian views of full employment (7 ¹/₂ marks).
- 3. There are a number of factors other than the rate of interest which affect the inducement to invest.
 - a. Identify five (5) of the likely factors capable of inducing investment (5 mks)
 - b. Expatiate the five (5) factors mentioned above in 3a. (10 mks)
- 4. Calculating the national income of a country is a complicated problem and is beset with numerous difficulties.
 - a. Highlight five (5) of the problems encountered in calculating national income (4 mks)
 - b. Provide details of the highlights of problems encountered in calculating national income as mentioned in 4a (10 mks)
- 5. Consumption is a function of both endogenous and exogenous variables.
 - a. State four (4) exogenous factors that affect consumption (4 mks)
 - b. Explain any three (3) of the exogenous factors mentioned in 5a (11 mks)
- 6. Discuss the neo-classical growth model developed by Robert Solow and Paul Samuelson (15marks)