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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

Answer five questions.

Section A is compulsory. Answers to this section should be concise.

Answer four questions from section B.

All questions in section B carry equal marks.

Credit will be given for use of relevant diagrams.

Any additional question(s) answered will not be marked.

SECTION A: (40 MARKS)

- 1. (a)(i) Distinguish between income elasticity of demand and price elasticity of demand.
 - (ii) State any two uses of the concept of price elasticity of demand in your country.
 - (b)(i) What is "appropriate technology"?
 - (ii) Give any three factors which have affected the development of appropriate technology in your country.
 - (c)(i) Distinguish between trade diversion and trade creation.
 - (ii) Mention two disadvantages of trade diversion.
 - (d)(i) What is meant by the term "economic dependence"?
 - (ii) Suggest any three measures to reduce economic dependence in your country.
 - (e)(i) Define the term "critical minimum effort" as used in the balanced growth strategy.
 - (ii) Give any three factors which limit the operation of the balanced growth strategy.
 - (f)(i) Distinguish between disguised unemployment and cyclical unemployment.
 - (ii) Give any two causes of disguised unemployment in your country.
 - (g)(i) What are non-bank financial intermediaries?
 - (ii) State any two functions of these intermediaries in your country.
 - (h) Give any features of Uganda's export sector.
 - (i) Given a cash ratio of 0.1% and initial deposits of Shs250, 000; determine
 - (i)total credit created
 - (ii) credit multiplier.
 - (j)(i) What is a parastatal organization?
- (ii)Give any three reasons for the poor performance of parastatal organizations in developing countries.

SECTION B: (60 MARKS)

- 2. (a) Examine the role of price mechanism in an economy.
 - (b) What are the limitations of the price mechanism in allocating resources?
- 3. (a) Explain the role of the private sector in the development of your country.
 - (b) What are the problems faced by the private sector in your country?
- 4. (a) Explain the concept of "under-development".
 - (b) Account for the low rate of economic development in your country.
- 5. "Uganda should adopt an agricultural rather than an industrial development strategy if it's to attain a faster rate of economic growth". Discuss.
- 6. (a)What is meant by collective bargaining?
 - (b) To what extent have trade unions in your country achieved their objectives?
- 7. (a) Differentiate between imported inflation and structural inflation.
 - (b) Assess the impact of inflation in your country.
- 8. (a) Distinguish between a comprehensive plan and a partial plan.
 - (b) Examine the role of planning in an economy.

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