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This examination paper consists of 3 pages

Time Allowed: 3 hours

Total Marks: 100

Special Requirements: None

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INSTRUCTIONS

1. Answer any four (4) questions

2. Each question carries 25 marks

MARK ALLOCATION

QUESTION	MARKS
1.	25
2.	25
3.	25
4.	25
5.	25

QUESTION 1

a) Describe the three methods of measuring national income. (9 marks)

b) State any seven uses of national income statistics.

(7 marks)

c) Discuss the major shortcomings encountered in the measurement and use of national income figures. (9 marks)

QUESTION 2

The following is a national income model:

C = 650 + 0.9 Y

I = 500

G = 650

Where C = Consumption expenditure; I = Investment expenditure; G = Government expenditure

- a) Referring to the above model
 - i. State the equilibrium condition and calculate the equilibrium level of national income.

(6 marks)

ii. Show the following situation on the income-expenditure diagram:

Investment rises by \$100 to \$600, so that I = 600.

(6marks)

iii. Determine the economy's national income multiplier.

(3 marks)

b) Briefly state some of the factors that limit the size of the multiplier in an economy.

(5 marks)

- c) Giving relevant examples, define the following terms :
 - i. Gross Domestic Product
 - ii. Gross National Product

(5 marks)

QUESTION 3

a) Briefly define any two instruments of monetary policy.

(10 marks)

- b) Briefly discuss the effectiveness of monetary policy in controlling the level of money supply in an economy. (10 marks)
- c) Discuss the merits and demerits of undertaking international trade.

(5 marks)

QUESTION 4

a) Identify five types of unemployment that exist in the Zimbabwean economy and suggest how government can solve each of the different types of unemployment (25 marks)

QUESTION 5

a) Enumerate four characteristics of good money.

(4 marks)

b) Describe the main functions of money in an economy

(6 marks)

c) Distinguish between depreciation and devaluation.

(5 marks)

d) Examine the various methods that monetary authorities can use to ensure price stability and employment.
(10 marks)