

**NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**

**FACULTY OF BUILT ENVIRONMENT**

**BACHELOR OF QUANTITY SURVEYING (HONOURS) DEGREE**

**PART IV FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS JANUARY 2008**

**STANDARD FORMS OF CONTRACT FOR BUILDING AND CIVIL  
ENGINEERS – AQS 4105**

**TIME:** 3 Hours

**TOTAL MARKS:** 100

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

**Answer Q1 and any 2 other questions**

1. Due to the prevailing hyper inflationary environment, a contractor requests for an adjustment to the contract sum on the grounds that the profit margin allowed for at tender is no longer adequate given the prevailing environment.

As the Project Quantity Surveyor what advise would you give both the contractor and client in order to ensure that the project comes to a successful completion.

**[50]**

2. A contractor proposed to revise Preliminaries and General items for the extended construction period by applying the same percentage as that awarded by National Employment Council as labour increase.

Discuss the merits and demerits of this proposal.

**[50]**

3. What is the Addendum to construction contracts and what are the benefits of using it?

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4. Discuss the issues associated with the loss of value on amounts due to the contractor in situations where the standard building contract is in use. How can this problem be addressed?

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