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EXAMINATION PAPER

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This examination paper consists of 3 printed pages

Time Allowed: 3 hours

Total Marks: 100

Special Requirements: N/A

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INSTRUCTIONS

1. Answer any four (4) questions
2. Each question carries 25 marks.
3. Where required give examples and draw illustrations and diagrams.

Mark allocation

QUESTION	MARKS
1.	25
2.	25
3.	25
4.	25
5.	25
6.	25
TOTAL FOR ANY 4 QUESTIONS	100

Question 1

Examine the causes, consequences and policy responses to high inflation in emerging economies. (25)

Question 2

- a) Explain unemployment from an economic background (5)
- b) What types of unemployment exist in the Zimbabwean economy and how can the government solve each of the different types of unemployment that you have mentioned (20)

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Question 3

Fixed cost, variable cost and marginal cost are discussed in economics texts.

- a) Explain the relationship between fixed, variable, and marginal costs. **(8 marks)**
NB// Use diagrams where necessary
- b) How might firms use these concepts to determine what output level to produce?

(17 marks)

Question 4

- a) Distinguish between monopolistic and oligopolistic market structures (10)
- b) With the aid of diagrams discuss the efficiency implications of monopolistic market structure (15)

Question 5

- a) What is an inferior good in the context of Urban Design (10)
- b) Use income and substitution effects to analyse the ramifications of a substantial increase in transport fares. (15)

Question 6

Discuss policies that the government can adopt to counter a high rate of inflation in Zimbabwe [25]