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BOHLABELA DISTRICT

GRADE 11

ECONOMICS

CASE STUDY

15 AUGUST 2024

MARKS: 50
TIME: 2 HOURS

This question paper consists of 4 pages.

INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION

1. Answer **ALL** questions in the **ANSWER BOOK.**

2. **REFERENCE MATERIALS ARE ALLOWED TO BE USED.**

3. **Learners should NOT be exposed to the task before writing time.**

4. Answer the questions in full sentences and ensure that the format, content and context of your responses comply with the cognitive requirements of the questions.

5. Number the answers correctly according to the numbering system used in this question paper.

6. Read the questions carefully.

7. Start EACH question on a NEW page.

8. Leave 2 – 3 lines between subsections of questions.

9. Use only black or blue ink.

10. You may use a non-programmable pocket calculator.

11. Write legibly and present your work neatly.

QUESTION 1: ECONOMIC GROWTH **26 MARKS – 65 MINUTES**

1.1. Study the extract below and answer the questions that follows

STANDARD OF LIVING IN SOUTH AFRICA

South Africa is a country with significant economic potential and a high level of natural resources. However, it faces substantial challenges related to inequality, unemployment, and access to basic services. Unemployment rates are high, particularly among youth. The official unemployment rate is over 30%, with youth unemployment often exceeding 50%. High unemployment contributes to economic instability and social challenges.

Source: www.google.co.za/news24

1.1.1 What is the current unemployment rate in South Africa? (1)

1.1.2 Give any ONE example of a natural resource found in South Africa (1)

1.1.3 Briefly describe the term *standard of living* (2)

1.1.4 Explain the main reason to know the population size? (2)

1.1.5 Analyse the importance of per Capita income as a key economic indicator (4)

1.2. Briefly explain the use of the Gini Coefficient to measure income inequalities (8)

1.3. Evaluate South Africa's economic growth performance in South Africa (8)

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QUESTION 2: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT **24 MARKS – 55 MINUTES**

2.1. Study the extract below and answer the questions that follows

SOUTH AFRICA'S INDEGENEOUS KNOWLEDGE SYSTEMS

Indegineous Knowledge Systems (IKS) are central to the cultural identity of South Africa's indigenous groups, including the Khoisan, Zulu, Xhosa, Sotho, and others. This knowledge is often passed down orally and includes practices related to traditional medicine, agriculture, spirituality, and environmental stewardship. Integrating these traditional practices with modern approaches can offer holistic solutions to contemporary challenges.

https://www.google.co.za/News24

2.1.1 Identify ONE contemporary challenge faced in South Africa (1)

2.1.2 Name the institution that work to integrate indigenous knowledge into biodiversity conservation and management strategies. (1)

2.1.3 Briefly describe the term *Indigenous Knowledge System (IKS)* (2)

2.1.4 Explain the main aim of the Protection, Promotion, Development and Management of Indigenous Knowledge Systems Act (2019) (2)

2.1.5 Analyse the importance of Indigenous Knowledge System (IKS). (4)

2.2 Briefly discuss the strategies to increase economic development in South Africa (6)

2.3 Examine the various sources of funding for promoting entrepreneurship. (8)

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MARKING GUIDELINE

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This marking guideline consists of 5 pages.

QUESTION 1: ECONOMIC GROWTH 26 MARKS

1.1. DATA RESPONSE

1.1.1 What is the current unemployment rate in South Africa?

32.5% ✓ (1)

1.1.2 Give any ONE example of a natural resource found in South Africa

- Diamonds ✓
- Gold ✓
- Reserves of iron ore, platinum, manganese, copper, silver ✓

Accept any other correct relevant response (1)

1.1.3 Briefly describe the term *standard of living*

Standard of living is a measure of the quality and quantity of goods and services available to individuals or households ✓✓

OR

It reflects the overall well-being of people in a given area and encompasses various aspects of life ✓✓

Accept any other correct relevant response (2)

1.1.4 Explain the main reason to know the population size?

- Accurate population data helps governments and organisations allocate resources effectively ✓✓
- Knowing the population size helps in assessing market potential, determining labour force availability, and planning for economic growth ✓✓

Accept any other correct relevant response (2)

1.1.5 Analyse the importance of per Capita income as a key economic indicator

- Per capita income is a vital economic indicator that helps assess the average economic output and living standards of individuals in a region ✓✓
- Per capita income is useful for comparing the economic prosperity of different regions or countries ✓✓
- It helps in assessing disparities in wealth and living standards, guiding policy decisions, and allocating resources ✓✓

Accept any other correct relevant response (4)

1.2. Briefly explain the use of the Gini Coefficient to measure income inequalities

- Gini Coefficient can help assess the impact of social programs, tax policies, and economic reforms ✓✓
- A higher Gini Coefficient indicates greater inequality, while a lower value suggests a more equitable income distribution ✓✓
- Governments and policymakers use the Gini Coefficient to evaluate the effectiveness of policies aimed at reducing income inequality ✓✓
- Economists and researchers use the Gini Coefficient in studies of economic development, poverty, and social equity ✓✓

Accept any other correct relevant response
Allocate maximum of 4 marks for mere listing of facts and examples (8)

1.3. Evaluate South Africa's economic growth performance in South Africa

- After the end of apartheid in 1994, South Africa experienced a period of strong economic growth because the economy expanded rapidly due to increased investment, improved political stability, and economic reforms✓✓
- The pandemic (Covid 19) caused a severe contraction in the South African economy, with GDP shrinking by approximately 7% in 2020 ✓✓
- As of recent data, GDP growth has been moderate, influenced by global economic conditions and domestic challenges ✓✓
- South Africa struggles with high unemployment, one of the highest in the world, high unemployment remains a significant challenge for economic growth and social stability ✓✓
- While South Africa has a higher per capita income compared to many other African countries, income growth has not kept pace with population growth, affecting living standards ✓✓

Accept any other correct relevant response
Allocate maximum of 2 marks for mere listing of facts and examples (8)

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QUESTION 2: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT 24 MARKS – 25 MINUTES

2.1 DATA RESPONSE

2.1.1 Identify ONE contemporary challenge faced in South Africa

- Environmental sustainability ✓
- Unemployment ✓

Accept any other correct relevant response (1)

2.1.2 Name the institution that work to integrate indigenous knowledge into biodiversity conservation and management strategies.

South African National Biodiversity Institute (SANBI) ✓ (1)

2.1.3 Briefly describe the term *Indigenous Knowledge System (IKS)*

Indigenous Knowledge Systems refer to the traditional, local knowledge held by indigenous people about their environment, culture, and practices✓✓

Accept any other correct relevant response (2)

2.1.4 Explain the main aim of the Protection, Promotion, Development and Management of Indigenous Knowledge Systems Act (2019)

The Protection, Promotion, Development and Management of Indigenous Knowledge Systems Act (2019) aims to protect and promote indigenous knowledge, ensuring its use in a manner that respects intellectual property rights and cultural heritage ✓✓ (2)

2.1.5 Analyse the importance of Indigenous Knowledge System (IKS).

- IKS provide valuable insights and practices that contribute to community well-being, environmental sustainability, and cultural preservation ✓✓
- Traditional knowledge and practices often involve communal activities and collective responsibilities. This helps strengthen social bonds within communities and reinforces social structures and norms ✓✓
- IKS practices provide essential healthcare services, particularly in areas where modern healthcare facilities are scarce ✓✓

Accept any other correct relevant response (4)

2.2 Briefly discuss the strategies to increase economic development in South Africa

- Diversify Industries by encouraging the growth of sectors beyond mining and resources, such as manufacturing, technology, and services✓✓
- Enhance support for small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) through access to finance, training, and infrastructure to drive innovation and job creation ✓✓
- Upgrade transportation, energy, and telecommunications infrastructure to boost productivity and facilitate economic activities ✓✓
- Strengthen Education Systems by improving the quality of education at all levels to build a skilled workforce ✓✓

Accept any other correct relevant response
Allocate maximum of 3 marks for mere listing of facts and examples (6)

2.3 Examine the various sources of funding for promoting entrepreneurship

- The financing of Entrepreneurship Promotion Programs in South Africa has played a critical role in supporting the growth and development of start-ups and small businesses ✓✓
- Government funding and private investments are often concentrated in urban areas, leaving rural and underserved regions with limited access✓✓
- Various programs offer subsidies for specific business expenses, such as training costs, technology acquisition, or infrastructure development ✓✓
- The National Youth Development Agency (NYDA) provides financial support, mentorship, and business development services to young entrepreneurs ✓✓
- The Industrial Development Corporation (IDC) provides loans and equity funding to support industrial and entrepreneurial development ✓✓

Accept any other correct relevant response (8)
Allocate maximum of 2 marks for mere listing of facts and examples

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