UNIVERSITY OF ESWATINI FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION JULY 2019

TITLE OF PAPER

: MACROECONOMICS

COURSE CODE

IDE-ECON203

TIME ALLOWED

THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY OTHER THREE QUESTIONS
- 2. ONLY SCIENTIFIC NON-PROGRAMMABLE CALCULATORS ARE ALLOWED.

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Question 1

COMPULSORY QUESTION: [40 MARKS]

a. Define and graphically derive the AD curve stating all relevant assumptions.

[10 marks]

Stating all relevant assumptions, derive the equilibrium income and interest rate algebraically, that is, the intersection of the IS and LM curves. [15 marks]

While value added tax has been adopted in Swaziland, it frequently suffers from being incomplete in one aspect or another. Explain fully.

ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS FROM THE FOLLOWING: [20 MARKS EACH]

Question 2

Explain how importers could actually take advantage of the foreign exchange market in their conduct of business.

b. Derive the goods market equilibrium both algebraically and graphically, making sure to state all assumptions made.

Question 3

Using the AD/AS model show the effects of an adverse supply shock on interest rates, prices and output.

b. What would be the overall effects of using fiscal and monetary policy to accommodate the shock? [7 marks]

Question 4

a) Discuss the AD-AS theory of demand -pull and cost-push inflation.

[10 marks]

b) Distinguish between expenditure switching and expenditure reducing policies.

[10 marks]

Question 5

a. Derive algebraically the equation that describes the LM curve. [10 marks]

b. Explain briefly the importance of pegging the Swazi currency with South Africa rand.

[10 marks]