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MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

**REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS**

**2015/2016 ACADEMIC YEAR**

**FOURTH YEAR SECOND SEMESTER**

**SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS**

**BACHELOR OF BUSINESS MANAGEMENT**

**COURSE CODE: BBM 449**

**COURSE TITLE:** **EMERGING ISSUES IN PURCHASING AND SUPPLIES**

**DATE: 11TH MAY 2016 TIME: 8.30 AM - 10.30 AM**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Answer Question **ONE** and any other **THREE** questions

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**QUESTION ONE**

1. In your own view, explain the impacts of the emerging issues in purchasing and supplies in the organisations. Use relevant examples. **(9 marks)**
2. Information technology is inevitable element in today’s world. Highlight the meaning of IT and explain FIVE ways of how IT can be applied in supply chain management. **(6 marks)**
3. Supply chain is constantly evolving and there are always new trends and issues that are of interest. Discuss any FIVE current trends and issues in supply chain management. **(10 marks)**

**QUESTION TWO**

1. Describe the benefits and challenges of diversity in an organisation. **(8 marks)**
2. Discuss any **SEVEN** future developments in purchasing and supplies management. **(7 marks)**

**QUESTION THREE**

1. Highlight the term “Green Procurement” **(1 mark)**
2. Mention **FOUR** principles of green purchasing. **(4 marks)**
3. Describe a ten step process that an organization can use to go green. **(10 marks)**

**QUESTION FOUR**

1. Briefly explain the council responsibility issues that must be incorporated in purchasing and supplies in accordance with the law and a company’s code of conduct. **(8 marks)**
2. Purchasing department is a new concept but it plays important roles in modern organizations. Explain. **(7 marks)**

**QUESTION FIVE**

1. Discuss **TEN** best practces that any organization should be doing now in their procurement. **(10 marks)**
2. Lately, Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) systems knowledge is required of all the staff working in purchasing department. Briefly explain the meaning of this term and highlight its importance. **(5 marks)**

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