



THE CO-OPERATIVE UNIVERSITY OF KENYA

BADM 3106: STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

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INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Write your registration number on the answer booklet.
2. **DO NOT** write on this question paper.
3. This paper contains **FIVE (5)** questions.
4. Question **ONE** is **compulsory**.
5. Answer any other **TWO** questions.
6. Question **ONE** carries **30 MARKS** and the rest carry **20 MARKS** each.
7. Write all your answers in the Examination answer booklet provided

QUESTION ONE

- a) Construct a possible vision statement and an objective of any firm of your choice **(4 marks)**
- b) Describe how to conduct SWOT analysis with reference to any organization **(10 marks)**
- c) Describe Balanced Score Card perspectives of measuring organizational performance **(10 marks)**
- d) Discuss any three (3) differences between strategy and tactics **(6 marks)**

QUESTION TWO

- (a) Michael Porter suggested that businesses can secure a sustainable competitive advantage by adopting three generic strategies. Using appropriate illustrations, explain the generic strategies **(12marks)**
- (b) Examine why it is important to consider organizational structure in strategy implementation **(8 marks)**

QUESTION THREE

- a) Discuss any five (5) strategic reasons for engaging in Corporate social responsibility **(10 marks)**
- b) Briefly highlight the five (5) main stages of strategic management process **(10 marks)**

QUESTION FOUR

- a) As a consultant, you have narrowed down to retrenchment as the best alternative corporate level strategy for company X, which is on a downward trend. Advise Company X's management on the strategic alternatives under retrenchment strategy **(12marks)**.
- b) Contrary to threat of substitutes, the force of Complements should generically take collaborative approach. Explain **(4 marks)**
- c) Discuss any two (2) change management principles **(4 marks)**

QUESTION FIVE

- a) Using appropriate examples, discuss any three main characteristics of strategic decisions **(12 marks)**
- b) As a consultant of a startup enterprise dealing in agribusiness, assist the firm to craft
 - i) A vision statement **(2 marks)**
 - ii) A mission **(2 marks)**
 - iii) A goal **(2 marks)**
 - iv) An objective **(2 marks)**