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INSTITUTIONAL BASED PROGRAMME (DECEMBER SESSION)

EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN

AGRIBUSINESS MANAGEMENT

KBT 521: POLICY ANALYSIS

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DATE: THURSDAY 28TH APRIL 2011

TIME: 9.00 A.M. - 12.00 NOON

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INSTRUCTIONS

1. Be sure your **student number and other details specified** are printed clearly on the front of all exam booklets used.
2. **Please label clearly** each of your answers in the exam booklets with the appropriate number and letter.
3. **Please write legibly.**

Answer Questions ONE (1) and any other three.

1. This question has five parts. Answer ALL the parts. (25 marks)
 - a) List the six steps used for the policy analysis process. (25 marks)
 - b) Differentiate between horizontal, vertical and inter-generational equity. (5 marks)
 - c) What are back-of-the-envelope calculations and where does the information required to carry out back-of-the-envelope calculations come from? (5 marks)
 - d) What is an issue paper and its purpose in the policy analysis process? (5 marks)
 - e) Briefly discuss three decision criteria used for assessing policy alternatives.

(5 marks)

2.
 - i) What is a political feasibility analysis? (15 marks)
 - ii) How would you carry out a political feasibility analysis? (15 marks)
3. Assess five tips for practical policy analysis. (15 marks)
4. Examine the most common economic criteria used for policy analysis. (15 marks)
5. In coming up with what may be possible under different circumstances,
 - i) What are sources of policy alternatives?
 - ii) Briefly discuss these sources of policy alternatives.
 - iii) What are four challenges in selecting policy alternatives? (15 marks)
6.
 - i) What is the role of the policy analyst in policy creation?
 - ii) Examine how a policy analyst can minimize biases in policy analysis. (15 marks)