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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

a) This paper has two sections: A and B
b) Answer *all* questions in section *A*.
c) Answer question 6 and any other two questions in section B.
d) All answer **must** be written in the answer booklet provided.
e) Candidates should answer the question in English.

This paper consists of 4 printed pages.
Candidates must check to ascertain that all pages are printed as indicated
and that no question(s) is/are missing.

SECTION A (Answer all questions in this section)

1. (a) Give three natural causes of global warming. (3mks)

   (b) State two effects of global warming to communities living in the coastal areas. (2mks)

2. (a) Apart from Kenya, name other two members of common market for Eastern and Southern Africa. (COMESA). (2mks)

   (b) State three benefits Kenya enjoys as a trading partner in the block (COMESA) (3mks)

3. (a) List two physical considerations to make when selecting a wasteland to be reclaimed for agricultural use. (2mks)

   (b) Describe the stages through which land was reclaimed from sea in Netherlands. (4mks)

4. Give four reasons why it is necessary for Kenya to conserve her environment. (4mks)

5. (a) Identify two major ports located along the St Lawrence Seaway. (2mks)

   (b) Give three disadvantages of water transport. (3mks)

SECTION B

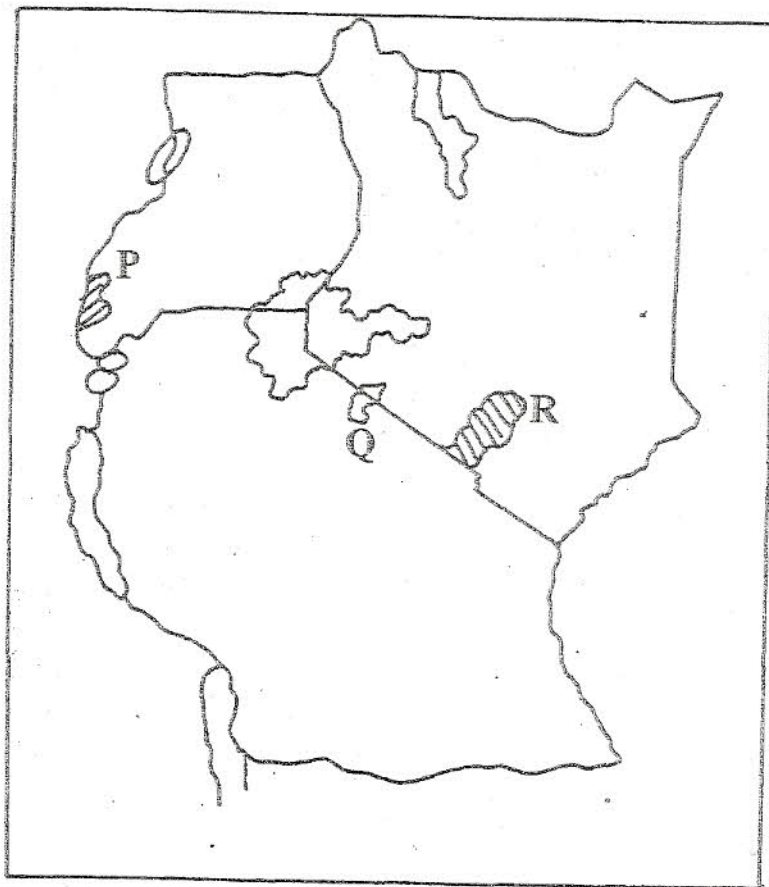### (Answer question 6 and any other two questions in this section)

6. The Table below shows production of major crops in Kenya between 2009 and 2011. Use it to answer the questions below:

Production '000' Tonnes

Crop	2009	2010	2011
Tea	300	350	400
Coffee	400	250	300
Wheat	350	150	450
Maize	450	200	600

(a) (i) Draw a cummulative bar graph to represent the above data. (6mks)

   (ii) Give three advantages of using cummulative bar graph to represent statistical data. (3mks)

(b) (i) Outline five physical factors that favour tea growing in the Kenya Highlands. (5mks)

   (ii) Name three counties in Kenya where tea is grown on large scale. (3mks)

   (iii) Explain four problems facing tea farming in Kenya. (8mks)

7. (a) (i) What is forestry? (2mks)

   (ii) Name three international organizations dealing with forest conservation. (3mks)

   (b) (i) State five factors that have lead to reduction of area under forest on the slopes of Mt. Kenya. (5mks)

(ii)   Explain three measures that the Government of Kenya is taking to conserve her forests. (6mks)

(c)   (i)   Give the differences in the exploitation of Softwood forests in Kenya and Canada under the following subheadings:-

        (i)   Period of Harvesting (2mks)

        (ii)   Transportation (2mks)

(d)   A study was carried out by students on how forests fires threaten forest ecosystems

        (i)   Identify three groups of people likely to set forests on fire. (3mks)

        (ii)   Give two types of trees that are known to ignite easily. (2mks)

8.   (a)   (i)   Define the term Tourism. (2mks)

        (ii)   Give four tourist attractions found at the coast of Kenya. (4mks)

(b)   Use the map of east Africa below to answer question (i)

(i)   Name the National parks marked P, Q and R. (3mks)

(ii)   Explain four factors which hinders the development of domestic tourism in Kenya (8mks)

(c)   Explain four factors which have made Switzerland a major tourist destination in Europe. (8mks)

(a) (i) Define the term visible trade. (2mks)

     (ii) Name **three** major imports to Kenya from Europe. (3mks)

(b) Explain **four** negative effects of International trade. (8mks)

(c) Explain **four** measures Kenya has taken to reduce her unfavourable balance of Trade. (8mks)

(d) Sate **four** ways in which trade is of significance to Kenya. (4mks)

10. (a) (i) Differentiate between fishing and fisheries. (2mks)

     (ii) Name any **three** fish species found in Lake Victoria. (3mks)

     (iii) Describe Purse-seining as a method of fishing. (5mks)

(b) (i) State **four** reasons why the Government of Kenya is encouraging fish farming. (4mks)

     (ii) Give **three** methods of preserving fish in Kenya. (3mks)

(c) Explain **four** factors that favour the fishing Industry in Japan. (8mks)