



# **MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY**

**University Examinations for 2020/2021 Academic Year**

**SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS**

**DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

**SECOND YEAR SECOND TERM EXAMINATION FOR**

**CERTIFICATE IN BUSINESS MANAGEMENT**

**SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT**

**2903/203: SUPPLIES MANAGEMENT**

**DATE: 10/6/2021**

**TIME: 8.30-11.30 AM**

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## **INSTRUCTIONS:**

ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS IN SECTION A  
ANSWER ONLY TWO QUESTIONS IN SECTION B

### **SECTION A (30 MARKS)**

1. State the objectives of purchasing (5 marks)
2. Highlight the functions of materials management (5 marks)
3. Outline the importance of integrated logistics. (5 marks)
4. Highlight the benefits of inventory control (5 marks)
5. State the principles of material handling. (5 marks)
6. Outline the role of packaging in supply operations. (5 marks)

### **SECTION B (40 MARKS)**

- 7 (a) State and explain the importance of proper management of supplies in the purchasing department. (10 marks)
- (b) State and explain the importance of following up the leadtime as a purchasing officer in the purchasing department. (10 marks)
- 8 (a) Discuss the purchasing procedure. (10 marks)
- (b) State and explain the methods of inventory control. (10 marks)
- 9 (a) Explain five benefits that may occur to an organization from effectively preserving its materials. (10 marks)
- (b) Explain the term expediting and outline its benefits in the purchasing department (10 marks)