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Paper 1

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THE SYNDICATE ASSESSMENT BOARD (TSAB)

Uganda Certificate of Lower Secondary Education

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- This paper consists of two sections A and B. It has 5 examination items
- Answer 4 examination items in all
- Section A has two compulsory items
- Section B has two parts I and II. Answer one question from each part
- You may use diagrams where applicable to illustrate your answers
- Any additional item(s) answered will not be scored
- All answers must be written in the answer sheets provided

SECTION A

ITEM 1: MAP SKILLS

For this item use the east Africa 1:50,000 (UGANDA) map extract NAKASONGOLA series Y732, sheet 50/2, Edition 1-U.S.D and the text below to answer the tasks that follow

- a) Mr. Kigenyi hired a Boda-Boda rider to take her from a point at grid reference 325550 to 400470. The boda fair is 6000 shillings per head per kilometer. Determine how much he spent on his journey.
- b) Mr. Kigenyi is planning to settle in the area between northings 38 and 47 and between Easting 25 and 32. He is planning to put up rental houses and his country home, he needs your guidance.
 - i) Help Mr. Kigenyi illustrate the layout of the area at identified. The layout should include; major drainage features, relief features, transport routes and vegetation types (07 SCORES)
 - ii) Help him to describe, the nature of the landscape in the area he intends to settle into. (5scores)
 - iii) Advice him on which potentials and challenges he is likely to find in his new area. (08scores)
 - iv) With specific examples from the map extract, help him to identify and choose more appropriate areas for settlement and give reasons for your choice

ITEM 2: PHOTOGRAPHIC SKILLS

Study Fig 1, a photograph taken from one of the places in Uganda and the text provided below it:
You have conducted a fieldwork study with your classmates and your interested by the geographical phenomena you have been able to observe.



- a) Draw a landscape sketch of the photograph and on it mark and name
 - i) Drainage feature
 - ii) Relief features
 - iii) Vegetation types
- b) Describe how any two features in the middle background of the photograph were formed.
- c) Explain the benefits of the features seen to the peoples living in the area.

SECTION B

*This section has **two** parts I and II*

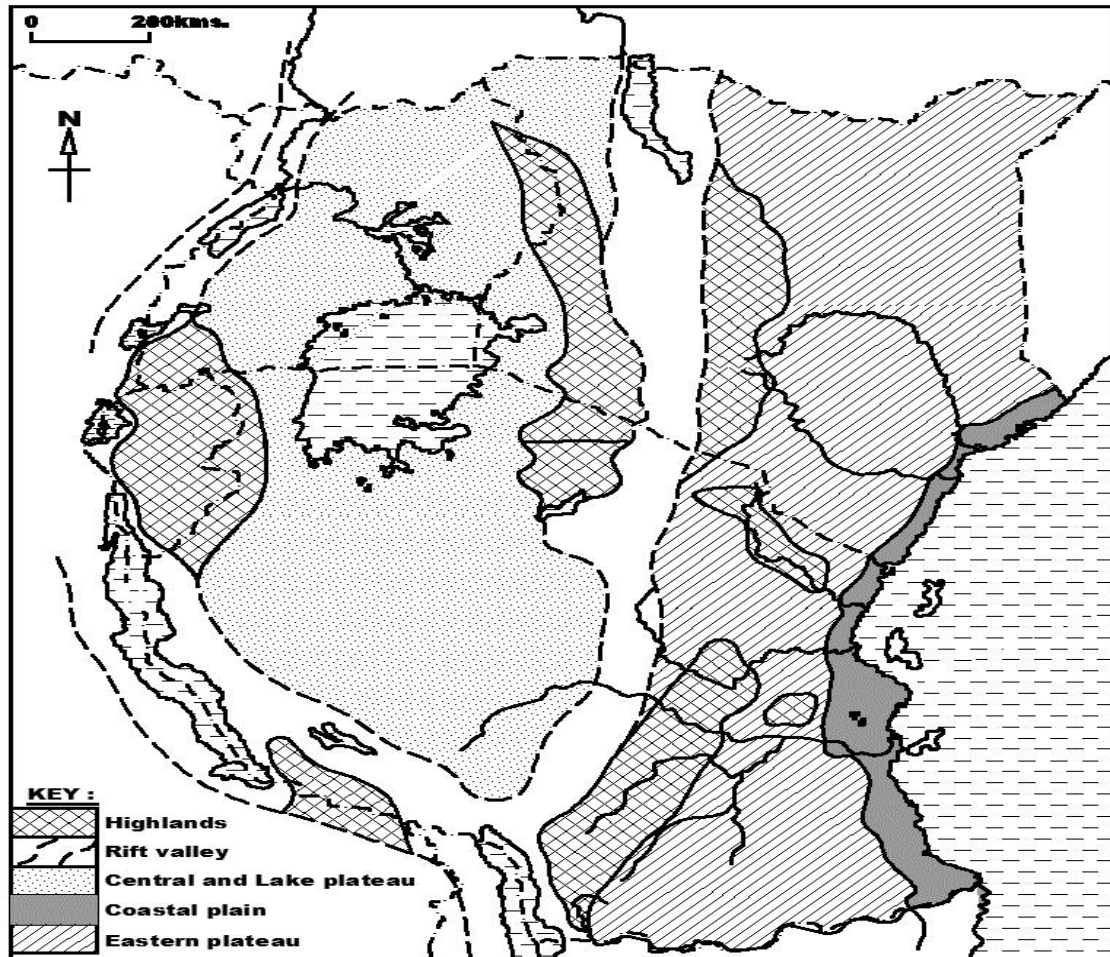
PART I

*Answer **one** item from this part.*

ITEM 3:

Study the text and Figure provided and use them to answer this item. Mary and her family have been living in a foreign country for the last 30 years. The family plans to return to East Africa and establish their home in any one of the relief regions where they can carry out vegetable farming. However, they have little knowledge about the geography of East Africa.

Support material: Map of East Africa showing relief regions



Task:

Write an essay of about 250 - 300 words advising Mary and her family on where they can settle and carry out vegetable farming.

ITEM 4:

The rampant increase in deforestation rates in many parts of Africa has led to massive loss of trees and other biodiversity which has threatened the environment and has led to climate change.



Task.

Write an article to appear in the daily monitor highlighting the various causes of the phenomenon and steps that can be under taken to combat the action.

PART II

Answer **one** item from this part.

ITEM 5

According to the 2018 and the 2024 population survey in Kenya, the population was estimated to be 49,950,000 and growing at a rate of 2.05% per year. At this rate, the country's population is expected to reach 56,000,000 people by 2024 representing an annual increase of 2,000,000 people per year. Members of the Kenyan community have different views about this rate of population growth. Some see it as a benefit while others as a danger to the country.

The table below shows the population statistics for Kenya between 2018 and 2024

YEAR	POPULATION (MILLIONS)
2018	49,953,304
2019	50,951,450
2020	51,985,780
2021	53,005,615
2022	54,027,487
2023	55,100,586
2024	56,203,030

- Calculate the percentage change of Kenya's population between 2019 and 2024 .
- Draw a suitable graph to represent the information in the table above .
- Using the information in the table provided and the text, write an article to be published in the newspaper that will help the Kenyans deal with the concerns of the members in the community.

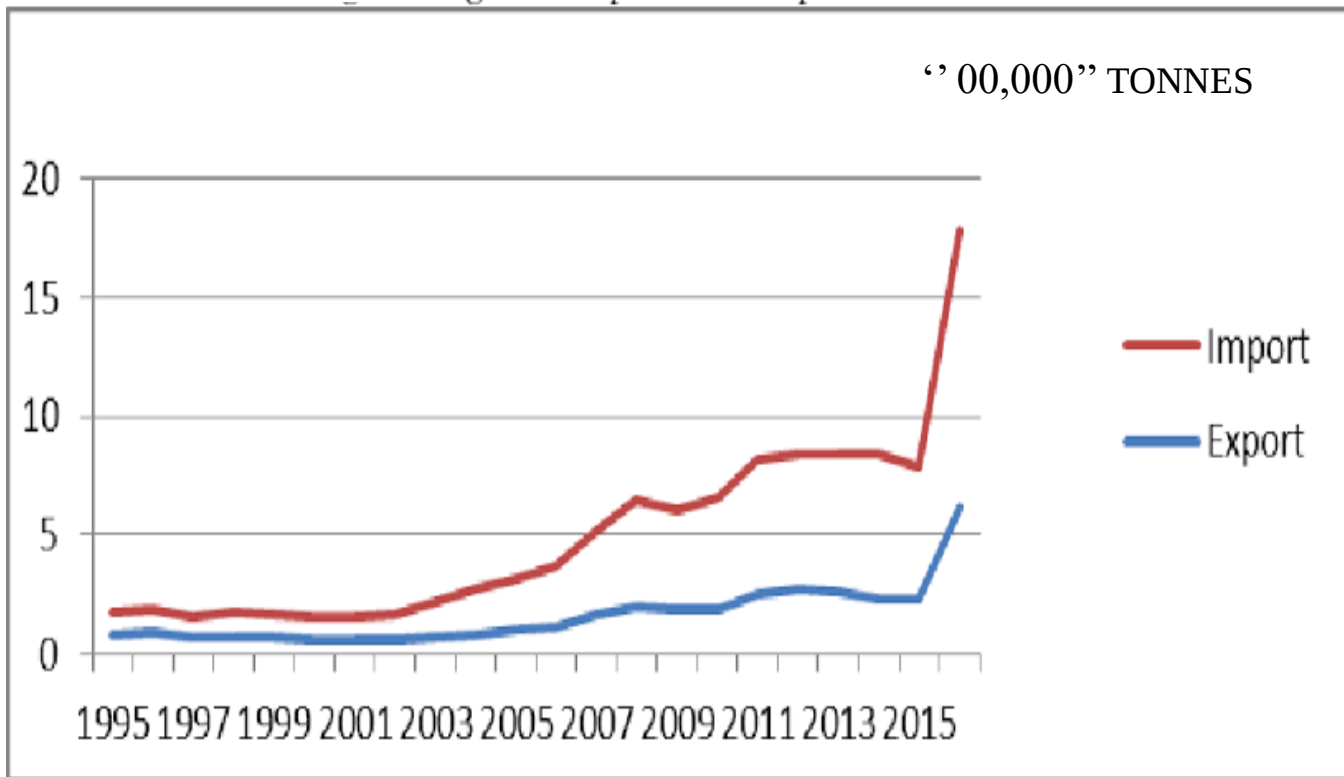
ITEM 6

Uganda is a member of numerous international organizations, such as the IGAD, COMESA, and EAC etc. The country is open to foreign trade, which accounts for 35% of its GDP according to World Bank. Uganda mainly exports coffee, fish, beans and legumes and others whereas imports are led by petroleum, medicaments, road vehicles, and plastics, iron and steel and others. Uganda exports with U.A.E, China, Japan, India, USA, UK and some other African countries..

In 2022, exports of good decreased to USD 3.9b from 4.1b while imports reached USD 9.3b. This imbalance in trade has threatened members in your community because they don't know how to support the government making Uganda's trade balance being structurally in deficit.

Support material

Uganda: Exports and Imports 1995 -2016



Source: Observatory of Economic Complexity, 2015

TASK

- Using evidence from the graph and the information provided in the above scenario, explain the trend of this trade in the respective years and the likely effects on the development of the country.
- If you're a student of statistics at Makerere University, which kind of advice would you give the finance ministry that can rescue the situation? Use 250 words.