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MEASUREMENTS OF BUILDING  
AND CIVIL ENGINEERING WORKS,  
ESTIMATING AND COSTING I

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Time: 3 hours



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**DIPLOMA IN BUILDING TECHNOLOGY  
DIPLOMA IN CIVIL ENGINEERING  
MODULE II**

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

*You should have the following for this examination:*

*answer booklet;*

*dimension papers;*

*scientific pocket calculator;*

*a copy of Standard Method of Measurement of building and associated civil works for Eastern Africa (SMM);*

*a copy of Civil Engineering Standard Methods of Measurement (CESMM).*

*This paper consists of SIX questions in TWO sections; A and B.*

*Answer FOUR questions choosing TWO questions from each section in the answer booklet provided or on the dimension papers as necessary.*

*Questions in section A carry 30 marks each while those in section B carry 20 marks each.*

*Maximum marks for each part of a question are indicated.*

*Candidates should answer the questions in English.*

**This paper consists of 6 printed pages**

**Candidates should check the question paper to ascertain that all the pages are printed as indicated and that no questions are missing.**

## SECTION A: MEASUREMENT

Answer TWO questions from this section.

- 1 ✓ Take off all quantities for the substructure works shown on **drawing No. 01** upto and including the d.p.c. (Use SMM) (30 marks)
2. Take off all quantities for external works shown on **drawing No. 02**. (Use CESMM). (30 marks)
- 3 ✓ (a) Explain the following as used in measurements:
- (i) extra-over items; - *Additional work on major works*
- (ii) schedules; ✓
- (iii) preambles; - *specifications on what the contractor is going to do*
- (iv) deemed to be included items. *work indicated in the scope of build items but not included in the specifications* (8 marks)
- 2 marks (b) Outline the procedure of preparing an interim payment certificate by a Quantity Surveyor. (10 marks)
- (c) Differentiate between "selective" and "negotiated" tendering. (3 marks)
- (d) (i) Define the term contract.
- (ii) Explain the following types of contracts:
- (I) cost reimbursement; ✓
- (II) package deal;
- (III) term. (9 marks)

## SECTION B: ESTIMATING AND COSTING

Answer TWO questions from this section.

- 4 ✓ (a) Explain the role of each of the following parties in the construction industry:
- (i) client;
- (ii) architect;
- (iii) quantity surveyor. (6 marks)
- (b) (i) Define the term 'variation'.
- (ii) Explain **three** ways of valuing variations. (10 marks)

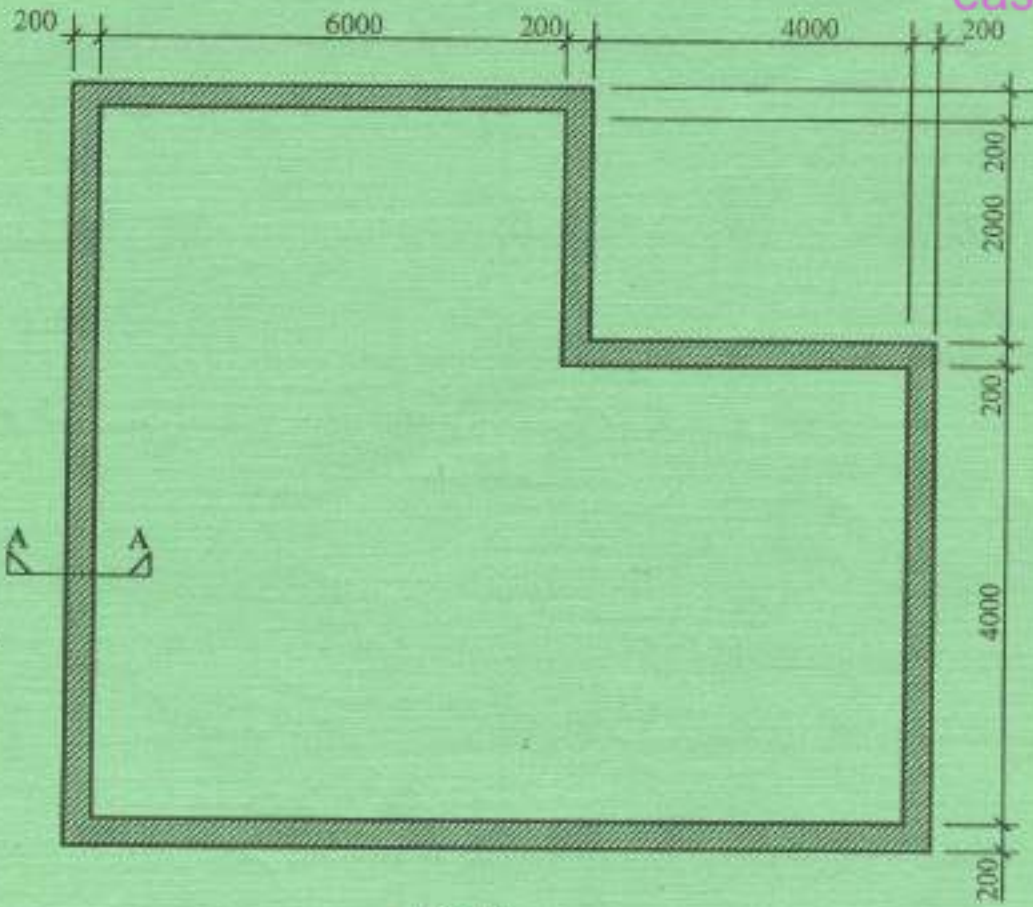
- (c) Explain the significance of a 'final payment certificate' in a building contract. (4 marks) 4
- 5/ (a) List six sources of cost information. (3 marks) ✓
- (b) Differentiate between tendering and estimate in building and civil engineering works. (4 marks)
- (c) Explain the following approximate estimating methods:
- (i) functional unit method, *for roof and walls are calculated by a floor area unit within the building, then multiply each unit by a unit cost factor.*
- (ii) superficial method. (6 marks) 5
- (d) Distinguish between prime cost and provisional sum. (4 marks) 5
- (e) (i) List two key types of contract documents. *is the cost of part of an item which is not included in the value of contract work entered into - bill of quantities - bills of quantities - schedules*
- (ii) Explain the importance of contract documents. *secret of an architect for future business the contractor can be liable in case of anything relating with the legal and regulatory* (3 marks)
6. (a) Explain the approximate quantities method of estimation. (5 marks)
- (b) Figure 1 is a line diagram plan and a section A - A of a substructure. Using the data given below, use approximate quantities method to estimate the cost of the works. (15 marks)

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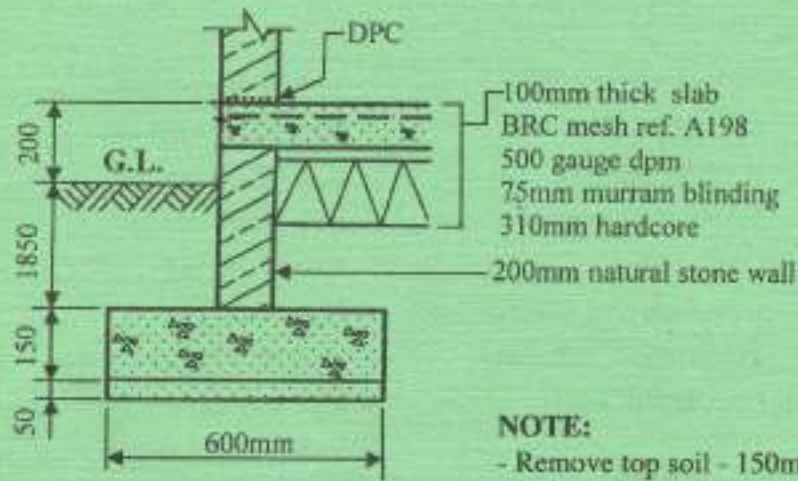
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II. Trench excavation	- Ksh 100.00 per cm
III. Backfilling	- Ksh 80.00 per cm
IV. Disposal of surplus	- Ksh 90.00 per cm
V. Timbering	- Ksh 50.00 per sm
VI. Levelling and compacting	- Ksh 50.00 per sm
VII. Foundation concrete	- Ksh 10,000 per cm
VIII. Foundation wall	- Ksh 900 per sm
IX. DPC	- Ksh 50 per Lm

(Assume any information not given)





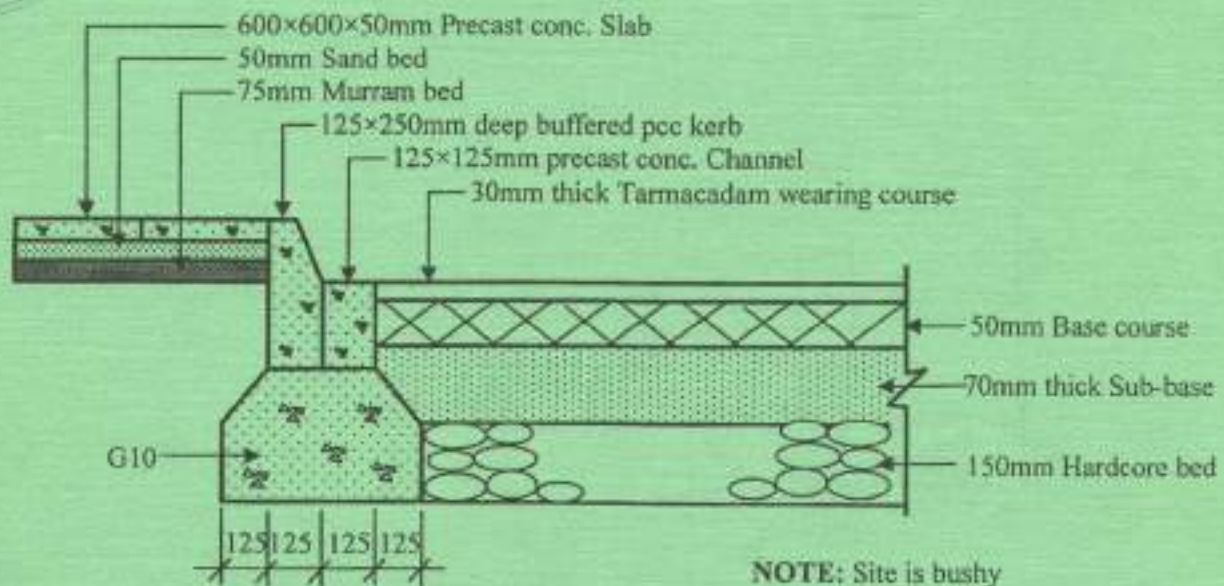
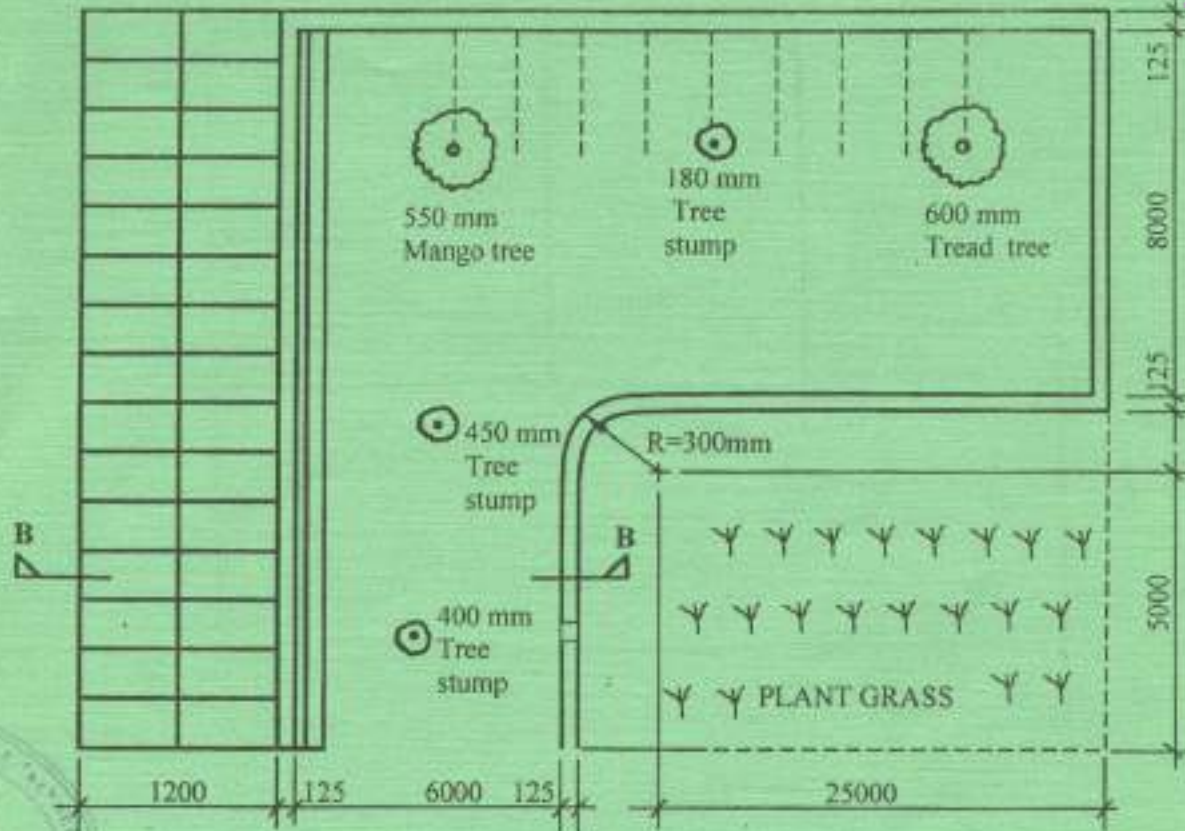
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**SECTION A-A**

**DRG. 01**

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**DRG 02 - EXTERNAL WORKS**

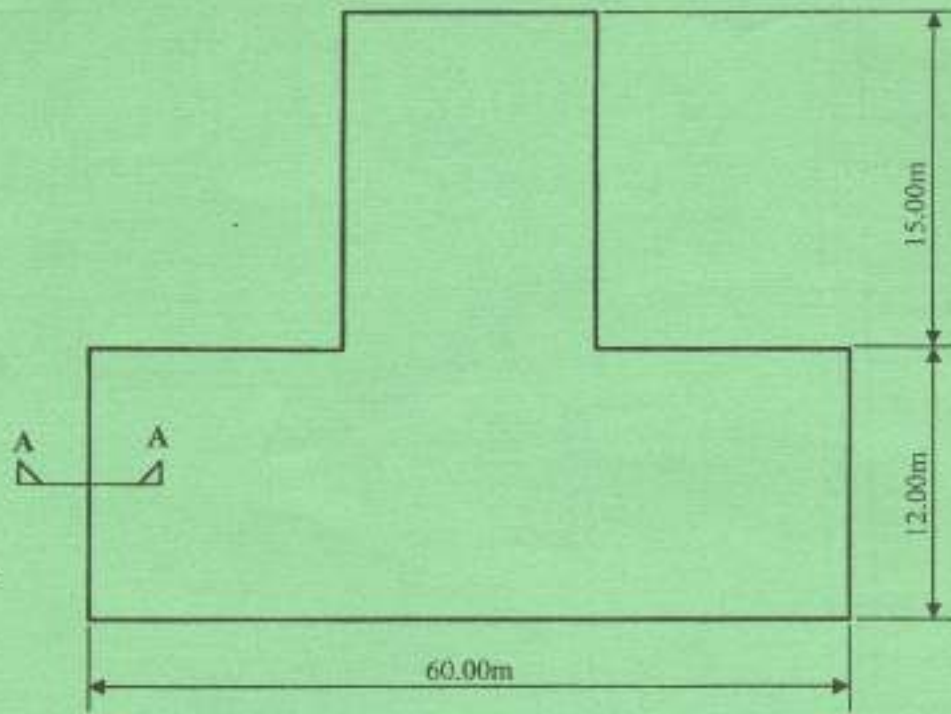
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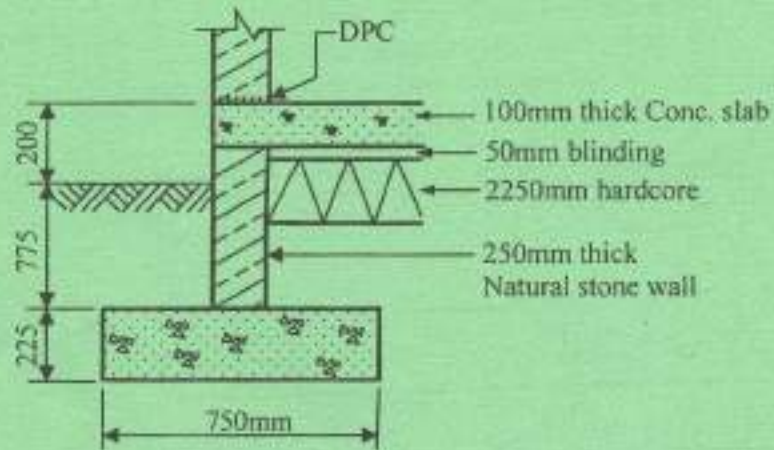
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SECTION A-A

**FIGURE 1**

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