

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS, PEACE, LEADERSHIP AND GOVERNANCE

PSM524: PROJECT AND PROGRAMME MANAGEMENT

END OF SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

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DURATION: (3 HRS)

INSTRUCTIONS

Choose and answer Question All questions in Section A and any other TWO questions in Section B in this Question paper.

Total possible mark is 100

Start each question on a new page in your answer Booklet. Credit will be awarded for logical, systematic and neat presentations

Marks for each question are in parenthesis.

Use of non-programmable calculator is permitted

Best wishes!!

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<u>SECTION A</u> (Answer all questions in this section)

1. The following tools and techniques are critical in project management.

Explain how a manager may use them to enhance project management in the public sector;

(a) Concept note	[5]
(b) Stakeholder Analysis	[5]
(c) Project scope statement	[5]
(d) Team contract	[5]
(e) Earned Value Management (EVM)	[5]
(f) Weighted Scoring Model	[5]

2. The Government of the Republic of South Himalaya has asked Mr.Kongonya, a PSMTP graduate, to come up with a project to develop a web site for government departments. He is working with a team of twelve experts seconded from various specializations and the following table captures the main activities of their Work Breakdown Structure (WBS).

Activity	Initial node	Final node	Activity Duration(days)
Evaluating current systems	1	2	1
Defining requirements(user, system,	1	3	2
content and sever owner)			
Defining specific functionality	1	4	3
Developing a project plan	2	5	4
Web site designing	3	5	5
Website development	3	6	4
Rolling out	4	7	6
Implementing support systems	5	6	6
evaluation	6	7	1
Replicating the project in other	7	8	3
departments			

You are required to:

- (a) Develop a network diagram reflecting the above table and mark the critical path. [6]
- (b) What inferences can you draw from the critical path? [7]

(c) Expand the network to reflect forward and backward pass and explain the value of these concepts. [7]

SECTION B (Answer two questions in this section)

- 3. How does a project manager factor in the human element in projects to enhance the ultimate success of a project? [25]
- Monitoring and evaluation is indispensable to project success. Using a concrete example from the public service, explain the critical issues you would consider in planning for M&E. [25]
- 5. A project is carried out in phases

a.	Draw a project life cycle	[5]
b.	In what way is this process iterative	[10]
c.	Relate the project monitoring to the project life cycle	[10]

6. The diagram below represents logical steps in project control process. Using a practical example of your own choice, demonstrate application of this iterative process.



(b) A project is a temporary endeavour with logically sequenced activities aimed to achieve an outcome at a given period and within a budget. If emphasis is on a **temporary undertaking**, why should a project team carry out stakeholder analysis? **[10]**

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