

# MERU UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

P.O. Box 972-60200 - Meru-Kenya. Tel: +254(0) 799 529 958, +254(0) 799 529 959, +254 (0)712 524 293

Website: www.must.ac.ke Email: info@mucst.ac.ke

#### **UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2023/2024**

## DIPLOMA IN SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT LEVEL 6 YEAR ONE TERM TWO

## BUS/CU/SC/CR/05/6/A: PROCUREMENT CONTRACTS MANAGEMENT

DATE: APRIL 2024 TIME: 3 HOURS

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Answer Question ONE and any other Three questions.

### **SECTION A (40 MARKS)**

- 1. Define procurement contract management and explain its success factors. (5 Marks)
- 2. Discuss the key elements of a procurement contract and their significance in ensuring successful project outcomes. (4 Marks)
- 3. Identify three data collection tools that may be used in contract progress monitoring.(3 Marks)
- 4. Explain the role of a procurement officer in managing procurement contracts throughout the project lifecycle. (5 Marks)
- 5. List five documents that are required to support supplier's payment claims. (5 Marks)
- 6. Outline three members of the evaluation committee in a procuring entity. (3 Marks)
- 7. Enumerate the skills required for effective negotiation. (4 Marks)
- 8. Highlight the importance of clear communication and documentation in procurement contract management. (4 Marks)
- 9. How does risk management play a role in procurement contract management, and what strategies can be employed to mitigate risks. (5 Marks)
- 10. Explain the concept of contract performance evaluation. (2 Marks)

MUST is ISO 9001:2015 and





## SECTION B – Long Answer Questions – Answer Any Questions. (60 MARKS)

- 11. a. What are the main differences between fixed-price contracts, cost-reimbursement contracts, and time and material contracts? Provide examples of when each type would be appropriate. (10 Marks)
  - b. Discuss the ethical considerations that procurement professionals should adhere to when (10 Marks) managing.
- 12. a. An evaluation committee has just completed its task. Highlight five contents of the report to be drafted by the committee. (10 Marks)
  - b. Examine five benefits that may accrue to the organization from developing clear specifications in procurement operations. (10 Marks)
- 13. a. Elaborate the legal and regulatory considerations that should be addressed when managing (10 Marks) procurement contracts.
  - b. Explain the process of monitoring and evaluating contractor performance during the execution of procurement contracts. (10 Marks)
- 14. a. Explain the role of procurement officers and contract administrators in managing procurement contracts. (10 Marks)
  - b. Mage Trading company intends to procure strategic items for its operations. As a procurement expert, advise the company on five sources of information for suppliers of such items. (10 Marks)





MUST is ISO 9001:2015 and