

MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

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SCHOOL OF TOURISM HOSPITALITY AND LEISURE STUDIES BACHELOR OF TOURISM MANAGEMENT

COURSE CODE: BTM 2104 COURSE TITLE: EXTERNAL ENVIRONMENT

DATE: 3/12/2019

TIME: 8:30AM - 10:30AM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer all question in **SECTION A** and any other two in **SECTION B**

SECTION A 30 MARKS

1a) Explain different characteristics of the business environment. (5marks)

1b) Explain the needs and importance of business environment. (5marks)

1c) Elucidate the main reasons why markets change rapidly. (5marks)

1d). Citing relevant example, discuss factors that may threaten the survival of
tourism organizations.(5marks)

1e). The success of tourism organizations depends on how well they identify and respond to technological changes. With this in mind discuss how an organization can benefit from technology. (5marks)

1f). Explain some of immediate and firsthand forces that may impact on your tourism firm. (5marks)

SECTION B 40 MARKS

Q2. Discuss how Porter's 5 competitive forces analysis results are an input to SWOT analysis (20marks)

Q3. Discuss management strategies that can be used to change competitive environment that may affect an organization ability and capability.

(20marks)

Q4. Discuss some possible impacts of the macro environment forces on decision making in a tourism business. (20marks)

Q5. As a chairman of Apolo tours, take the management team through some of the economic factors that may affect the tour firm operations. **(20marks)**

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