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**BUSINESS STUDIES**

**521/02**

Paper 2

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**1 hour 45 minutes**

**READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST**

1. Write your candidate name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided.
2. Answer **all** questions.
3. Write your answers using **blue** or **black** pen in the spaces provided.
4. Marks are given in [ ] at the end of each question or part question.
5. Special attention must be paid to legibility and neatness.
6. Name(s) of businesses/persons used in this paper are fictitious.
7. You may use a calculator.

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## SD & Son's Construction

SD & Sons Construction is a construction business owned by Sifiso and his sons. When starting the business, Sifiso's aim was to provide service to the local community. This partnership business is in Country A, a country that operates as a mixed economy. The business is involved in the construction of roads, dams and other structures. The business also sells and leases properties that it develops.

The partnership business has recently won a tender for the construction of a road in Mafikeni village. However, the construction business does not have enough finance to work on the project. ABS Bank is a commercial bank used by SD & Sons Construction. The partnership business makes deposits weekly at the bank. SD & Sons Construction pays the wages of temporal workers through electronic money transfer known as e-wallet.

The employees of the partnership belong to a trade union for construction workers. SD & Sons Construction has its own block yard. The block yard collects river sand from a nearby river. The workers who work in the block yard are paid using the piece rate. A foreman is employed to manage the operations of the block yard. This foreman uses the autocratic leadership style and the one he replaced used the laissez-faire style.

### **Appendix 1 – blocks output per day during the tenure of the new foreman compared to that of the old manager (using same number of workers)**

<b>Output per day</b>	<b>Managerial style</b>
2000 blocks	Laissez-faire
5000 blocks	Autocratic

**QUESTION 1**

SD & Sons Construction operates in Country A, a mixed economy. The business constructs, sells and leases properties.

**(a)** Identify **three** aims of a business such as SD & Sons Construction other than the one mentioned in the case.

Aim 1 .....

Aim 2 .....

Aim 3 ..... [3]

**(b)** Explain **one** feature of a mixed economy such as Country A.

Feature .....

Explanation .....

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**(c)** Explain **three** stages of production that SD & Sons Construction is engaged in.

Give an example in each stage.

Stage 1 .....

Explanation .....

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Example .....

Stage 2 .....

Explanation .....

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Example .....

Stage 3 .....

Explanation .....

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Example ..... [9]



**QUESTION 2**

The partnership business has recently won a tender for the construction of a road in Mafikeni village but lacks the necessary finance.

**(a)** State **three** contents of the partnership deed (agreement) drawn by SD & Sons Construction.

- Content 1 .....
- Content 2 .....
- Content 3 ..... [3]

**(b)** Explain **one** feature of a partnership business such as SD & Sons Construction.

- Feature .....
- Explanation .....
- .....
- ..... [3]

**(c)** Explain **three** external sources of finance that SD & Sons Construction could source for the tender.

- Source 1 .....
- Explanation .....
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- Source 2 .....
- Explanation .....
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- Source 3 .....
- Explanation .....
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**QUESTION 3**

ABS Bank is a bank used by SD & Sons Construction.

**(a)** Identify **three** characteristics of money.

Characteristic1 .....

Characteristic 2 .....

Characteristic 3 ..... [3]

**(b)** Explain **one** disadvantage of barter trade.

Disadvantage .....

Explanation .....

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**(c)** Explain **three** functions of a bank such as ABS Bank.

Function 1 .....

Explanation .....

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Function 2 .....

Explanation .....

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Function 3 .....

Explanation .....

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SD & Sons Construction pays the wages of temporal workers through an electronic money transfer known as e-wallet.

**(d)** Do you think SD & Sons Construction should continue paying the wages of temporal workers through e-wallet. Justify your answer.

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**[Total Marks:25]**



**QUESTION 4**

The employees of the partnership belong to a trade union for construction workers and are paid using the piece rate. A foreman manages the block yard department.

**(a)** State **three** examples of trade unions in Eswatini.

Example 1 .....

Example 2 .....

Example 3 ..... [3]

**(b)** Explain **one** advantage to the partnership of using the piece rate system.

Advantage .....

Explanation .....

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**(c)** Explain the **three** tasks of the block yard foreman (manager).

Task 1 .....

Explanation .....

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Task 2 .....

Explanation .....

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Task 3 .....

Explanation .....

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