Production

1. (a) (i) Identify THREE features of a small business. (3 marks)

(ii) State THREE reasons why small businesses are important to a community

(3 marks)

(b) Explain the effect of growth on EACH of the following

(i) Scale of production

(ii) Potential for export (4 marks)

(c) A fashion designer would like to introduce Computer Aided Design (CAD) into her fashion designing business.

Outline TWO benefits that she will enjoy from using CAD in her business

(4 marks)

(d) Discuss TWO disadvantages of using technology in a small business.

(6 marks)

**2.** (a) State TWO advantages of small businesses. (4 marks)

(b) Identify TWO relationships that exist between cottage industries and small businesses.

(4 marks)

(c) Outline THREE benefits of operating cottage industries. (6 marks)

(d) Discuss TWO ways in which small businesses contribute to Caribbean economies.

(6 marks)

**3.** (a) Distinguish between capital intensive production and labour intensive production,

Give one example of each form of production. (6 marks)

(b) Employees must be technologically competent to succeed in today’s workplace. List

FOUR technological competencies that today’s employees need. (4 marks)

(c) State TWO disadvantages of modern technology. (4 marks)

(d) Discuss TWO ways by which modern technology can improve the efficiency of

businesses. (6 marks) **TOTAL 20 marks**

**.** 4. (a) Define each of the following terms:

(i)Migration

(ii) Labour supply (4 marks)

(b) Identify FOUR factors that affect the labour supply of a country. (4 marks)

(c) Outline TWO ways in which migration may affect the labour supply of

(i) the country from which workers migrate.

(ii) the country to which workers migrate. (8 marks)

(d) Differentiate between production and productivity. (4 marks)

**TOTAL 20 marks**

5. (a) List TWO levels of production and explain the MAIN difference between them.

(4 mks)

(b) Outline ONE main difference between primary and secondary production, giving ONE example of EACH. (4 mks)

1. (i) Describe TWO features of cottage industries.

(ii) State ONE way in which EACH feature describe in (i) above, contributes to economic development. (6 mks)

(d) Discuss TWO ways in which linkage industries can assist in the development of Caribbean economies. (6 mks)

**Total 20 marks**

**6.** A production manager was invited to give a presentation to students at a local high school. In her presentation, she told the students that there were various factors of production, all of which were important to the success of the production process. She elaborated on human resources as an important factor of production.

(a) Explain the term ‘natural resources’ as a factor of production. (2mks)

(b) State TWO factors of production, other than human resources and give ONE example of EACH. (4mks)

(c) Discuss TWO reasons why employers fail to train and develop their human resources. (4mks)

(d) In talking about human resources, ‘the production manager stated that the migration of employees impacted on the labour force countries.

(i) Define the term ‘labour force’. (2mks)

(ii) Outline TWO effects of migration on your country. (4mks)

(iii) Suggest TWO possible reasons for migration. (4mks)

7. The manager of a shoe factory has proposed to the owners that the expansion of the factory and the introduction of more modern equipment will result in the decrease in the cost of producing a pair of shoes. The expansion however will require a large injection of money into the business.

a. Define each of the following terms:

(i) Internal economies of scale

(ii) Internal diseconomies of scale. (4mks)

b. Identify two internal economies of scale. (2mks)

c. Explain how two different internal economies of scale can lead to lower cost of production. (4mks)

d. (i) Discuss one negative consequence to society of the introduction of modern factory equipment. (2mks)

(ii) Suggest two measures that can be used to reduce the negative social impact discussed above. (4mks)

e. Identify one disadvantage which may result from the expansion in the factory and suggest one way of counteracting it. (4mks)

8. Chicken producers of two Caribbean countries,Aquala and Boluda sell chicken to local hotels,fast food outlets and households. However Aquala chicken producers import feed,medicine and hatching eggs while Boluda chicken producers buy feed, medicine and hatching eggs from local suppliers.

1. Define the terms backward and forward linkages  **(2mks)**
2. Identify **TWO** backward and **TWO** forward linkages in chicken production **(4mks)**
3. Compare **THREE** benefits to be gained from a large and persistent increase in demand for chicken in the economies of Aquala and Boluda **(6mks)**
4. Discuss **TWO** reason why linkages are important to business  **4mks)**
5. Suggest **TWO** measures that the government could use to encourage the development of linkage industries and illustrate how ONE of the measures can be implemented. **(4mks)**