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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

OPEN BOOK EXAMINATION FOR WRITTEN SUBJECT, CADASTRAL LAW

The Board has decided to conduct open book examination for the Cadastral Law paper with effect from the next examination. Candidates will be allowed to bring hardcopies of the Acts, Rules, Circulars and reference books into the examination hall. However, model answer scripts and notes are not allowed.

- With the switch to open book examination, the following changes are made:
 - (a) There will be 6 questions instead of 9;
 - (b) Candidates are required to answer any 5 of the 6 questions;
 - (c) The duration of the examination is 3 hours instead of 4; and
 - (d) The paper to be set will aim to test the candidates' understanding of the acts and the rules relating to the practice of cadastral surveying. The answers to the questions will not be directly copied from the acts and the rules. Candidates will be asked for their views and comments, discussion and evaluations of the practice, and application etc in relation to the legal provisions in the acts and the rules, circulars and directives. Examples of such questions are:
 - (i) What is coordinated cadastre? What are your views on this survey system as stipulated in the Land Surveyors (Conduct of Cadastral Surveys) Rules and LSB Directives?
 - (ii) With reference to the relevant Acts, what is the definition of "land"? Discuss in details the survey of airspace lots and subterranean lots for the purpose of issuing land titles.

- (iii) A registered surveyor is engaged by his clients to apply for strata subdivision of a newly developed condominium and complete the cadastral survey. Describe the steps he has to take to satisfy his clients' requirements. Cite the relevant legal provisions.
- (iv) Describe the contents of a strata title plan for a strata development in phases and comprises accessory lots. Comment on the issues involved when the STP is made as the final survey plan.
- (v) What are the authorised survey marks stipulated in law? In your view, are boundary marks necessary? Give a detailed argument for your view.
- (vi) Land can be acquired for certain purposes. What are these purposes? Describe the survey procedures pertaining to the acquired land.

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