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MFS 508

Department of Agricultural Economics, Education and Extension MSc in Food Security and Sustainable Agriculture Part I Examination Food and Agricultural Policy

3 HOURS (100 Marks)

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATE

Answer question ONE from SECTION A and any TWO questions from SECTION B.

SECTION A (COMPULSORY)

1. (a) Discuss the roles played by Lobby groups during policy formulation process in the agricultural sector.

[25 marks]

(b) Discuss policies that can be used by the government to reduce food insecurity in Zimbabwe

[25 marks]

SECTION B

2. Using the information on barley provided in the table below; write a policy memo to the minister of agriculture:

	Revenue	Cost of tradebles	Cost of non-tradebles	Profit
Private prices	8.22	2.21	4.60	
Social prices	9.34	5.31	3.20	1
Divergences				-

[25 marks]

3. Discuss the main reasons why some countries might opt for the top-down approach during policy formulation process

[25 marks]

4. Describe the strategic objectives of the agricultural marketing and trade pillar in the National Agricultural policy framework

[25 marks]

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