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**THE KENYA NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL**  
**CRAFT CERTIFICATE IN HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT**  
**MODULE II**

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

*Write your name and index number in the spaces provided above.  
 Sign and write the date of the examination in the spaces provided above.  
 This paper consists of **TWO** sections; **A** and **B**.  
 Answer **ALL** questions in Section **A** and **FOUR** questions from Section **B**.  
 Write your answers in the spaces provided in the question paper.  
 Do **NOT** remove any pages from this question paper.  
 Candidates should answer the questions in English.*

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**SECTION A**

Questions	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	TOTAL SCORE
Candidate's Score											

**SECTION B**

Questions	11	12	13	14	15	TOTAL
Candidate's Score						

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**This paper consists of 16 printed pages.**

**Candidates should check the question paper to ascertain that all the pages are printed as indicated and that no questions are missing.**

## SECTION A (32 marks)

*Answer ALL the questions from this section.*

1. Outline **two** circumstances under which the work study method may be used to forecast human resource needs in an organization. (2 marks)
- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
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- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. Education background is one of the sections in a job specification. Highlight **three** items of information contained in this section. (3 marks)
- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_  
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- (iii) \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. State **four** external factors that may affect the employee recruitment process in an organization. (4 marks)
- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
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- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_  
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- (iii) \_\_\_\_\_  
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- (iv) \_\_\_\_\_  
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4. Highlight **four** types of tests that may be administered in an employee selection exercise. (4 marks)
- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
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- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_  
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- (iii) \_\_\_\_\_  
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- (iv) \_\_\_\_\_  
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5. Outline **three** signs that may be indicators of poor placement of employees in an organization. (3 marks)

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
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- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_  
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- (iii) \_\_\_\_\_  
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6. Give **three** reasons that may make a human resource manager reluctant to use job rotation as a method of training employees in an organization. (3 marks)

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
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- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_  
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- (iii) \_\_\_\_\_  
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7. Highlight **three** ways through which an organization may prepare employees for succession. (3 marks)

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_  
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- (iii) \_\_\_\_\_  
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8. Outline **two** challenges that may be faced in a human resource department when dealing with foreign employees in an organization. (2 marks)

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

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(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

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9. List **four** skills that an employee may acquire after undergoing a refresher training course. (4 marks)

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

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(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

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(iii) \_\_\_\_\_

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10. Outline **four** preparations that a human resource department should make to ensure that job interviews are conducted successfully. (4 marks)

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

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(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

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(iii) \_\_\_\_\_

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(iv) \_\_\_\_\_

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**SECTION B (68 marks)**

*Answer any FOUR questions from this section.*

11. (a) Highlight **six** ways in which human resource plans may be made more effective. (9 marks)
- (b) Explain **four** benefits of using a questionnaire for collecting data in a job analysis exercise. (8 marks)
12. (a) Highlight **six** benefits that may be obtained by an organization from using newspapers to advertise vacant job positions. (9 marks)
- (b) Explain **four** measures that may be taken to reduce the number of candidates to be interviewed for a job. (8 marks)
13. (a) Outline **six** factors that may influence the duration of an employee induction programme in an organization. (9 marks)
- (b) Highlight **four** sources of information that may be used to identify employee training needs. (8 marks)
14. (a) Outline **six** factors that may lead to the failure of a management succession plan in an organization. (9 marks)
- (b) Explain **four** challenges of dealing with a youthful workforce in an organization. (8 marks)
15. (a) Outline **six** factors that may influence the need for recruitment of employees in an organization. (9 marks)
- (b) Kema Ltd has an excess number of employees. Outline **five** measures that should be taken to address this situation. (8 marks)

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