ZIMBABWE SCHOOL EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL

General Certificate of Education Advanced Level

HISTORY 6006/1

PAPER 1History of Zimbabwe(Pre-colonial to present)

SPECIMEN PAPER 3 hours

Additional materials:
Answer paper

TIME 3 hours

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your name, Centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the answer paper.

Answer **four** questions from **atleast three** of Sections A – D.

Write your answers on the separate answer paper provided.

If you use more than one sheet of paper, fasten the sheets together.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

This paper consists of 16 questions.

Each question in this paper carries 25 marks.

You are reminded of the need for good English and clear presentation in your answers.

This question paper consists of 2 printed pages.

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SECTION A

1. Assess the reliability of historical sources used in the recovery of Zimbabwe's Pre-history.

2. To what extent archaeological sources help in the reconstruction of the history of the San?

3. 'A curse and a blessing.' Is this a fair assessment of the impact of Iron technology on farming communities in pre-colonial Zimbabwe?

4. How far did the ruling class contribute to the decline of Great Zimbabwe?

SECTION B

5. 'The Portuguese were a catalyst in the demise of the Mutapa State in the nineteenthcentury.' Discuss.

6. Evaluate efforts by missionaries to christianise the Ndebele up to 1893.

7. 'The colonization of Zimbabwe in 1890 was inevitable.' Discuss.

8. Assess Rhodes' contribution to the colonisation of Zimbabwe.

SECTION C

9. Examine the reaction by different African groups to white encroachment on Zimbabwe.

10. Analyse the reasons for the outbreak of war between the British and the Ndebele in 1893.

11. Discuss the view that the railway construction was key to economic prosperity for the settlers up to the 1930s.

12. 'Land was the main cause of the liberation struggle in Zimbabwe.' How far do you agree?

SECTION D

13. To what extent can the decline of the Zimbabwean economy between 2000 and 2008 be attributed to the imposition of sanctions by the Western Countries?

14. How far can the period 2000 to 2010 in Zimbabwean history be described as a 'wasted decade.'

15. Analyse the reasons leading to the Third Chimurenga.

16. Examine the Zimbabwe Government's efforts in promoting democracy up to 2010.