

ENGINEERING TRIPOS PART IIA

Monday 5 May 2008 2.30 to 4.00

Module 3E6

ORGANISATIONAL BEHAVIOUR AND CHANGE

Answer not more than two questions.

All questions carry the same number of marks.

*The **approximate** percentage of marks allocated to each part of a question is indicated in the right margin.*

There are no attachments.

STATIONERY REQUIREMENTS
Single-sided script paper

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS
None

**You may not start to read the questions
printed on the subsequent pages of this
question paper until instructed that you
may do so by the Invigilator**

- 1 (a) What are the characteristics of Weber's 'model' of bureaucratic organizations? [30%]
- (b) Explain why the reality of organizational life might deviate from the 'ideal type' bureaucracy [30%]
- (c) What is the difference between formal and substantive rationality, and what are the implications of this difference for organizations? [40%]
- 2 (a) Explain social loafing in groups. [20%]
- (b) Explain Tuckmann's model of group development. [30%]
- (c) Describe *groupthink* and outline its impact on organizations. [50%]
- 3 (a) What is organizational culture? [20%]
- (b) What techniques can be used to manage organizational culture and what practical limitations do these have? [50%]
- (c) Discuss whether organizational culture management is just another form of management control. [30%]
- 4 (a) Describe Lewin's '3-phase' model of organizational change. [30%]
- (b) Discuss the limitations of Lewin's model of organizational change. [20%]
- (c) Contrast the *unitarist* and *critical* perspectives on organizational conflict. [50%]

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