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FOREWORD

The Candidates' Item Response Analysis in Divinity Subject in the Advanced Certificate of Secondary Education Examination (ACSEE) 2019 was prepared in order to provide feedback to different educational stakeholders including students, teachers, parents/guardians, policy makers and the public in general on the performance of the candidates.

The Advanced Certificate of Secondary Education Examination is a summative evaluation which marks the end of the two years of Advanced Level of secondary education. It shows the effectiveness of the educational system in general and educational delivery system in particular. Basically, the candidates' responses to the examination questions is an indicator that the education system was able or unable to offer the knowledge and skills required to the students in their two years of Advanced Level of secondary education.

This report is intended to make an understanding of some reasons which contributed to the performance of the candidates and highlights some of the factors that made candidates to have such a performance in the examination. The factors for high performance include the ability of the candidates to identify, understand and stick to the requirements of the questions, express themselves well in English language as well as having adequate knowledge of biblical facts, concepts, themes, events and important persons. On the contrary, the factors for low performance include the failure of candidates to identify, understand and adhere to the requirements of the questions as well as being unable to express themselves in English language. They also had inadequate knowledge of the biblical facts, concepts, themes, events and persons. The feedback provided will enable the educational stakeholders to take proper measures in order to improve the candidates' performance in the future examinations administered by the Council.

Finally, the Council would like to thank all those who participated in the preparation of this report.

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

The 2019 Advanced Certificate of Secondary Education Examination (ACSEE) was conducted on Tuesday, 14th May 2019 for 114/1 Divinity 1 and Thursday, 16th May 2019 for 114/2 Divinity 2. There was a total of 1,220 registered candidates, of which 1,175 (96.31%) sat for the examination. However, the results of 01 (0.08%) candidate were withheld because of illness. Therefore, this report deals with the rest, (1,774)¹ candidates, of which 977 (83.23%) passed and 197 (16.78%) failed. This performance is higher by 9.89 percent compared to the 2018 performance which had 1,294 candidates whereby, 949 (73.34%) passed and 345 (26.66%) failed.

The examination tested the candidates' competences as outlined in the Divinity Syllabus for Secondary Schools - Form V - VI issued in 2011. The examination was set in accordance with the examination format issued by the National Examinations Council of Tanzania (NECTA) in 2015. Divinity 1 (114/1) consisted of eight questions distributed in sections A and B. There were three questions in Section A and five in Section B. The candidates were required to answer two questions from Section A and three questions from Section B, making a total number of five questions. Each question carried twenty marks. Divinity 2 (114/2) consisted of seven questions distributed in parts I and II. There were four questions in Part I and three in Part II. The candidates were required to answer three questions from Part I and two questions from Part II, making a total number of five questions. Each question carried twenty marks.

In this report, the performance of the candidates is regarded as good, average and weak when the candidates' score ranges from 60-100% (12-20 marks), 35-59% (7-11 marks) and 0-34% (0-6 marks) respectively. This is represented in the figures by green colour for good performance ranging from 12-20 marks, yellow colour for average performance ranging from 7-

¹ The number of candidates who sat for the Divinity examination differs from one paper to another. Those who sat for Divinity 1 (114/1) were 1,173 and for Divinity 2 (114/2) were 1,170. This means that three candidates sat for Paper 1 but did not turn up for Paper 2.

11 marks and red colour for poor (weak) performance ranging from 0-6 marks.

This report provides the analysis of each question by giving an overview of what the candidates were required to do, the general performance and the reasons for their performance. Sample extracts of candidates' correct and incorrect responses are presented in order to illustrate the candidates' responses to each item. This is followed by the analysis of candidates' performance per topic, conclusion and recommendations. A summary of the candidates' performance per topic and a comparison for ACSEE 2018 and 2019 performance have been appended.

2.0 ITEM RESPONSE ANALYSIS FOR EACH QUESTION IN 114/1 DIVINITY PAPER 1

2.1 SECTION A: Historical Books

This section deals with questions from the book of Judges, Kings and Samuel. It consists of three questions; of which, candidates were required to answer two. The following is the analysis of responses of the candidates.

2.1.1 Question 1: The Earlier Prophets: The Prophetic Mission of Elijah and Elisha

The candidates were required to describe any four of King Ahab's encounter with prophets and suggest what today's religious authorities should do in their societies.

This question was attempted by 337 (28.73%) candidates out of the 1,173 candidates who sat for this paper. Concerning their performance, 123 (36.50%) candidates scored from 12-18 marks indicating good performance, 106 (31.45%) candidates scored from 7-11 marks indicating average performance and 108 (32.05%) candidates scored from 0-6 marks indicating poor performance. The percentage of candidates and their scores in question is illustrated in Figure 1.

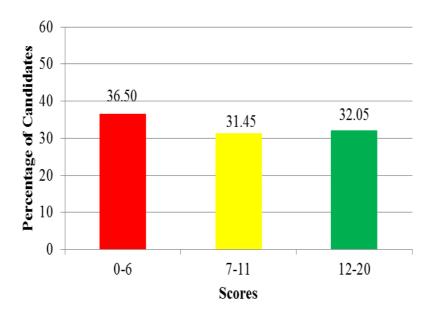


Figure 1: The percentage of candidates and their scores in question 1

The performance of the candidates in this question was good because 229 (63.50%) candidates scored from 7 to 20 marks. The analysis of the responses showed that 108 (32.05%) candidates scored high marks ranging from 12-20. They provided relevant points describing Ahab's encounter with prophets and suggested what the religious authorities of today should do in their societies. Their responses indicated that the candidates had adequate knowledge of the topic and clear understanding of the requirements of the question. Moreover, they were able to organize their work and expressing themselves well due to English language proficiency.

The points provided by the candidates include: (i) Prophet Elijah announced a three year drought throughout the land against Ahab's introduction of Baal the god of fertility (1Kings 17:1). (ii) Prophet Elijah denounced Ahab of misleading the people to the worship of idols introduced by his wife Jezebel (1Kings 18). (iii) Prophet Elijah also accused Ahab of coveting Naboth's vineyard by killing the innocent Naboth (1 Kings 21). (iv) The unnamed prophet delivered the message of courage to Ahab concerning the war against Ben-hadad of Syria (1 Kings 20:13-25). (v) The unnamed prophet placed a parable to show Ahab that because he had rejected God's order to destroy the enemy once and for all, the enemy would return and

bring increasing suffering upon Israel (1 Kings 22:13 -23). (vi) Micaiah the prophet, warned King Ahab concerning going against Ramoth Gilead to restore it to Israel (1 Kings 22).

According to analysis, 31.45 percent of the candidates scored average marks ranging from 7-11 whereby most of them had partial responses. Although they had some knowledge and understanding on the requirements of the question, the candidates in this category were unable to deliver the required responses fully. Some of them provided only one or two relevant points with introduction and conclusion. Others wrote three correct responses but without introduction and conclusion. They did not observe rules for essay writing.

On the contrary, 36.50 percent of the candidates performed poorly and scored 0-6 marks. In their responses it shows that the candidates lacked adequate knowledge of King Ahab and the prophets whom he encountered. Moreover, they did not understand the context and requirements of the question. For example, some of the candidates mentioned Prophet Hosea and Amos who, in reality, did not prophesy during the reign of King Ahab. There were few candidates who described *Shear Jashub* and the sign of *Immanuel* found in the Book of Isaiah (Isaiah 7:1-14), which implies that the candidates confused the name of King Ahab in 1 Kings with the name of King Ahaz who was confronted by Isaiah. Extract 1.1 illustrates a sample of a poor response in question 1 of paper 1.

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Extract 1.1: A sample of an incorrect response from one of the candidate.

The candidate wrote about what religion does instead of describing Ahab's encounter with prophets.

2.1.2 Question 2: Establishment of Monarchy in Israel

The candidates were required to show five consequences of David's sins in his unlawful marital relationships with Bathsheba and give a lesson learnt from each consequence.

The question was attempted by 948 (80.82%) candidates out of 1,173 who sat for this paper. The analysis indicated that 196 (20.68%) candidates scored from 12-19 marks; 372 (39.24%) candidates scored from 7-11 marks while 380 (40.08%) candidates scored from 0-6 marks. The percentage of candidates and their scores is illustrated in Figure 2.

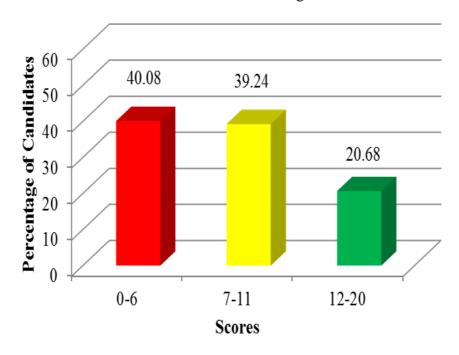


Figure 2: The percentage of candidates and their scores in question 2

The general performance of the candidates in this question was average because among 568 (59.92%) candidates whose performance was between average and good, 372 (39.24%) candidates performed averagely. This is because most of them offered partial responses. For example, some of the candidates showed the consequences without the lessons learnt from each consequence of David's sins in his unlawful marital relationship with Bathsheba. Others gave only two or three relevant points.

However, 196 (20.68%) candidates scored high marks as they answered the question accordingly. They were able to show the consequences of David's sin in his unlawful marital relationships with Bathsheba. They were also able to give the lessons learnt as per requirement of the question. The points provided include: (i) *Bathsheba's child who was born from adultery died as a punishment from God.* (ii) *Amnon the son of David raped his half-sister Tamar and destroyed her virginity* (2 Samuel 13:1-22). (iii) *Absalom played sex with his father's concubines as it was prophesied to David by Prophet Nathan* (2 Samuel 12:11; 16:1-22). (iv) *Amnon was killed by his brother Absalom in revenge for raping his sister Tamar* (2 Samuel 13: 23-33). (v) *Absalom staged a rebellion that was aiming at overthrowing his father from power* (2 Samuel 15:1-31). (vi) *Sheba the son of Bichri also tried to overthrow David from the power* (2 Samuel 20:1-10). (vii) *David ordered the death of Uriah so as to hide his sin of adultery* (2 Samuel 11:6-17). Extract 2.1 is a sample of a good response in question 2 of paper 1.

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Extract 2.1: A sample of the candidate's good response in question 2.

In this response, the candidate showed the consequences of David's sins in his unlawful marital relationships with Bathsheba and the lessons learnt from each consequence as required.

Conversely, 40.08 percent of the candidates who attempted the question failed to show the consequences and lessons learnt from David's sin in his unlawful marital relationship with Bathsheba, hence they scored below 7 marks. For example, some of the candidates explained about corruption, forced labour, heavy taxation and brutality to the citizens as among the consequences of David's sin; things which were not existing during David's reign. Others pointed out that David lost his kingship, making his family to be no longer the dynasty, which is not true. This implies that the candidates had inadequate knowledge of the topic and did not understand the requirements of the question. Extract 2.2 is a sample of incorrect response in question 2 of paper 1.

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Extract 2.2: The candidate's incorrect response in question 2.

The candidate provided incorrect responses which were about the evil deeds of King Ahab against Naboth with his vineyard and about Solomon's many wives who led him to idolatry instead of the consequences of David's sin.

2.1.3 Question 3: The Book of Judges

In this question the candidates were required account on the service delivered by the minor judges, who were not famous in their society, yet they delivered the Israelites from the hands of the enemies as the major judges. They should also show the relevance of the service to the Tanzanians' context.

This question was attempted by 892 (76.04%) candidates out of 1,173 who sat for this paper. Analysis depicts that 413 (46.30%) candidates scored from 12-19 marks, 378 (42.38%) candidates scored from 7-11 marks and 101 (11.32%) candidates scored from 0-6 marks. The performance of the candidates in this question is illustrated in Figure 3.

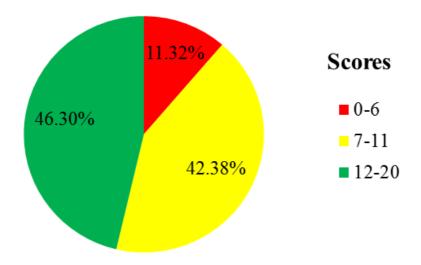


Figure 3: The performance of the candidates in question 3

The general performance of the candidates for this question was good as 791 (88.68%) candidates scored from 7 to 19 marks indicating high performance. Most of the candidates scored high marks because they gave correct responses as they were able to account for the service of the minor judges in five points, showing how they managed to accomplish their duty and the relevance of the service to the Tanzanian context.

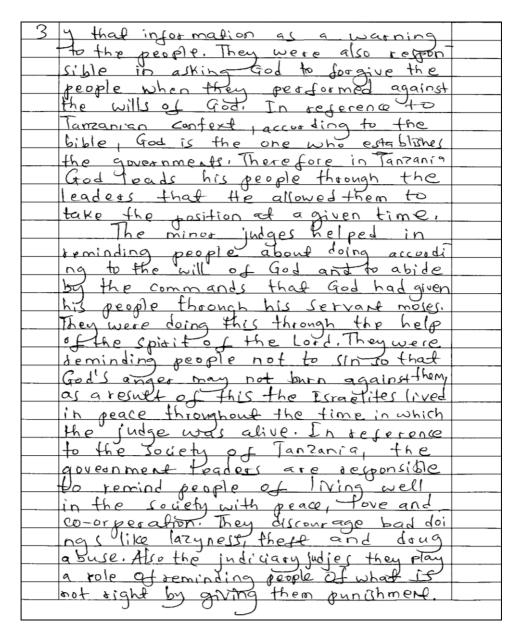
The correct responses were such as: (i) Shamgar who rescued the Israelites by killing 600 Philistines with an ox goad (Judges 3:31). Shamgar used his simple agricultural implement in the battle against the Philistines and through the ox goad victory was attained. Tanzania would be among the best nations if all citizens were to use the resources they have. (ii) Tola who freed the Israelites from an enemy; he led them and maintained peace in the land for a period of 23 years. It appears that Tola did not wait to be sought out by his fellow Israelites. Rather, he saw the need; he arose; he saved Israel (Judges 10:1-2). He was a champion. This can mean that God wants to use those who are always ready to serve Him.

Thus, service to God must be courageous and voluntary. (iii) Jair the Gileadite led the Israelites after the death of Tola. He made the people of Israel settle peacefully for a period of 22 years. He is depicted as a wealthy judges having 33 sons who rode around 30 donkeys and owning 30 towns in the land of Gilead. Jair and his family enjoyed a considerable power and prestige among the Israelites (Judges 10:3-5). Tanzanian people need to do for God and people what is worthy noticing so that when one dies he/she leaves a legacy (can be remembered by those he served). (iv) Ibzan was from Bethlehem. He led the Israelites as a civil leader. He led and maintained peace in Israel for a period of 7 years. He had 30 sons and 30 daughters for whom he arranged for their marriages. This depicts the effective and wide-ranging control he had as a tribal chief (Judges 12:8-10). Tanzanian leaders should maintain peace in the country to ensure political and economic stability and prosperity. (v) Elon from the tribe of Zebulun led and maintained peace in Israel for 10 years. Elon could have been a common person, but God used him to judge Israel. One can be called to serve God and his people even if he/she is "nobody" (Judges 12:11-12). There are Tanzanians who think that they are nobodies to do certain things, yet they have the potential to make great achievement. (vi) Abdon the son of Hillel led Israel for a period of 8 years. The fact that he had 40 sons and 30 grandsons who rode 70 donkeys is an indication that he was a wealthy and influential civil leader who promoted peace (Judges 12:13-15). Tanzania and other African nations need peace, something which can be possible through leaders who promote peace, not chaos.

This implies that the candidates understood the requirements of the question and they had adequate knowledge of the subject matter about the Minor judges, who were not famous in their society, yet they delivered the Israelites from the hands of the enemies as the major judges. Extract 3.1 is a sample of a good response to question 3 in paper 1.

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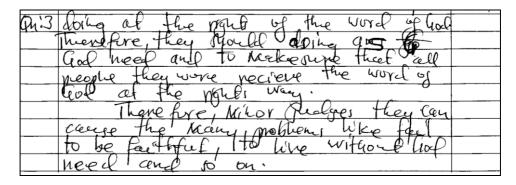
Extract 3.1: A sample of a response of a candidate who was able to give correct responses in question 3.

The 378 (42.38%) candidates who scored average marks, ranging from 7-11, provided responses which indicated that they knew the subject matter, but did not deliver the required responses exhaustively. Some of the candidates were able to account for the service of the minor judges but failed to show the relevance of their service to the Tanzanian context;

while others mixed up the stories of the minor judges with the stories of the major judges.

On the contrary, 101 (11.32%) candidates scored low marks ranging from 0-6 because they failed to account for the service of the minor judges. Some of them wrote about the importance of prophets and the major judges instead of the service of the minor judged. Others identified the minor judges as bad people who did not follow the word of God; that they were not charismatic and did many evil deeds. Some provided points out of context, writing about Jesus and the Holy Spirit. Moreover, a few candidates paraphrased the question without answering it. This implies that the candidates did not understand the question as shown in Extract 3.2.

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Extract 3.2: A sample of a candidate's incorrect response in question 3.

The candidate accused the minor judges as bad people instead of accounting on the service delivered by the minor judges, who were not famous in their society, yet they delivered the Israelites from the hands of the enemies as the major judges. It shows that the candidate did not understand the requirements of the question.

2.2 SECTION B: The Prophetic Literature

This section deals with questions from the books of prophets, namely, Haggai, Isaiah, Jeremiah and Amos. It consists of five questions of which candidates were required to answer three. The following is the analysis of responses of the candidates.

2.2.1 Question 4: The Book of Prophet Haggai

This question required the candidates to analyse the circumstances which made Haggai to deliver his prophecy by giving four points.

The question was attempted by 469 (39.98%) candidates out of 1,173 who sat for this paper. Analysis shows that 106 (22.60%) candidates scored from 12-20 marks indicating good performance; 168 (35.82%) candidates scored from 7-11 marks (average performance) while 195 (41.58%) candidates scored from 0-6 marks which is a poor performance. This analysis is illustrated in Figure 4.

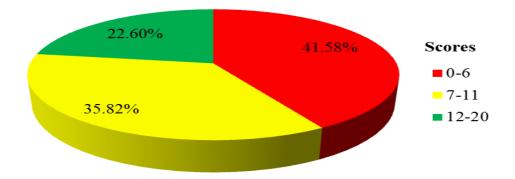


Figure 4: The percentage of candidates and their scores in question 4

On the one hand, the general performance of candidates in this question was average as 274 (58.42%) candidates scored 7 marks and above. Among these candidates, 168 (35.82%) candidates gave partial responses scoring from 7-11 marks while 106 (22.60%) candidates scored high marks ranging from 12-20. These were able to analyse the circumstances which made Haggai deliver his prophecy by giving points such as: (i) Haggai prophesied during the difficult time. Economically, there was shortage of fund and at the same time there was a need for much sacrifice to complete the temple. The land was suffering from drought and hunger, poverty and failure. (ii) The land was defiled and needed to be purified and consecrated by the presence of God in the temple. (iii) The people lacked the spirit of nationalism. Haggai's enthusiastic nationalism and hope for their independence led him to extol Zerubbabel as the person whom God would use to bring blessing to the land. (iv) Haggai delivered his prophecy due to the people's negligence to the temple, unclean offerings offered by the *Israelites, the foundation of the temple which ceased its construction.*

This shows that the candidates understood the subject matter. Most of their responses showed that the candidates had mastered English language reading and writing skills, as they were able to express their points clearly. Extract 4.1 is a sample of a good response to question 4 in paper 1.

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Extract 4.1: A sample of a good response of a candidate in question 4.

The candidate analysed the circumstances which made Haggai deliver his prophecy as per requirements of the question.

On the other hand, those who scored from 0-6 marks were 195 (41.58%) candidates, among whom 35 (7.50%) candidates scored 0. This failure could be attributed to candidates' lack of knowledge of the subject matter and failure to understand the requirements of the question. Most of the candidates wrote irrelevant points. For example, some of them wrote about the functions of the temple while others confused Haggai with Hosea and, as a result, they wrote that Haggai was commanded by God to marry Gomer the harlot. His message was against idolatry, syncretism and corruption. Some of them wrote about the visions of Amos which are found in the book of Amos as the circumstance which made Haggai to deliver his prophecy. Moreover, there were candidates who described Haggai as a man of faith but had no child and therefore God promised to give him a son. In this case, the candidates confused Haggai with Abraham in Genesis as an indication that

they did not understand the requirements of the question and had insufficient knowledge of the Book of Haggai. Extract 4.2 is a sample of an unsatisfactory response to question 4 in paper 1.

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them to the exile and the society	_
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Extract 4.2: A sample of a response of a candidate who wrote irrelevant answers in question 4.

The candidate wrote themes which do not belong to Haggai and were not related to the requirements of the question.

2.2.2 Question 5: Faith and Teachings: Prophecy and Prophets

In this question the candidates were required to explain five differences between the true prophets and the false prophets.

The question was attempted by 1,150 (98.04%) candidates out of 1,173 candidates who sat for this paper. Analysis shows 918 (79.83%) candidates scored from 12-20 marks indicating good performance; 203 (17.65%) candidates scored from 7-11 marks indicating average performance while 29 (2.52%) candidates scored from 0-6 marks indicating poor performance. Figure 5 illustrates this performance.

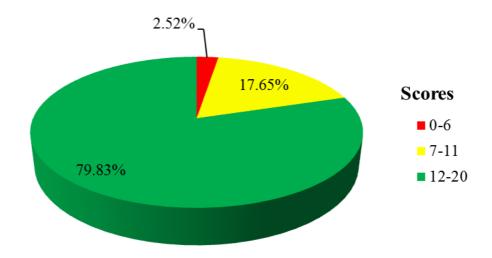


Figure 5: The percentage of candidates and their scores in question 5

The analysis shows that 1,121 (97.48%) candidates performed well by scoring above average ranging from 7-20 marks as most of them answered the question well by writing correct differences. Among them, 918 (79.83%) candidates scored between 12 and 20 marks. They wrote correct responses including: (i) True prophets are few in number and they trust only in God while false prophets are many and trust the majority opinion. (ii) True prophets give warning of judgment to all people while false prophets speak of peace and prosperity only. (iii) True prophets demonstrate the power of God and show the glory of God but false prophets use power of suggestion or illusion, they call it signs and wonders. (iv) True prophets are socially unacceptable to the crowd, disliked and not trusted by people because they do not conform to people's expectations. False prophets demonstrate human wisdom and enjoy men's praise and so, socially acceptable as they conform to people's expectations. (v) True prophets speak a compelling message but false prophets promote self-interest. (vi) True prophets speak God's will while false prophets speak popularity and presumptuously of God. (vii) True prophets seek God for His counsel for they depend on God's directions while false prophets give counsel to God; (viii) True prophets call for testing of prophets while false prophets demand belief in their position. (ix) True prophets hold that they too are subject to God's judgment but false prophets hold that God will never judge anybody, so people should not fear. (x) True prophets share the scripture to the people to show the truth but false prophets share their opinion to explain the scripture. (xi) True prophet's

prophecy comes to lasting fulfillment i.e., the prophecy becomes a reality and its results continue to exist for a long time but the prophecies of the false prophets have no fulfillment.

The good performance of the candidates in this question could be attributed to the ability of understanding the requirements, adequate knowledge of the true and false prophets as well as the topic in general.

As hinted in the data analysis for this question, 203 (17.65%) candidates scored from 7-11 marks which is an average score. Some of candidates in this category provided about two or three correct responses without introduction and conclusion. This implies that they failed to observe the rules for essay writing. Other candidates had good introductory remarks and conclusion, but had only one or two correct points out of five.

On the contrary, 29 (2.52%) candidates scored from 0-6 marks indicating poor performance, due to the fact that they failed to provide correct responses. This shows that the candidates had inadequate knowledge concerning the prophets. For example, some of them wrote points such as: true prophets were poor while false prophets were rich; true prophets prayed while false prophets did not pray. Other candidates compared biblical prophets with the modern prophets, saying that biblical prophets used to help the society but modern prophets do not help the society. Moreover, there was a candidate who explained the differences between the major and minor judges instead of the differences between the true and false prophets.

This implies that the candidate lacked enough knowledge of who the true and false prophets. Extract 5.1 is a sample of a poor response to question 5 in paper 1.

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people to give out money as the way of sacrifies	
this due for their own benefits.	
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prophets, they wed to waship to the only one might	
living God who created the whole inferior university	2
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at the top of the mountains as well as besides the	e
Water bodies such as rivery lakes and ocean.	

Extract 5.1: A part of a response of a candidate who gave incorrect responses in question 5.

In this response, the candidate wrote the differences between todays' prophets and what can be regarded as African traditional religious priests instead of the differences between the true and false prophets.

2.2.3 Question 6: The Book of Prophet Isaiah

In this question the candidates were required to explain the theme "the Mighty One is coming" in connection with the prophecy of Isaiah about the coming of the Messiah in Isaiah Chapter 1 to 12 by giving five points.

The question was attempted by 316 (26.94%) candidates out of 1,173 who sat for this paper. Among them, 202 (63.92%) candidates scored from 0-6 marks indicating poor performance; 106 (33.55%) candidates scored from 7-11 marks indicating average performance while 8 (2.53%) candidates scored from 12-15 marks indicating good performance. Figure 6 illustrates the performance of candidates in question 6.

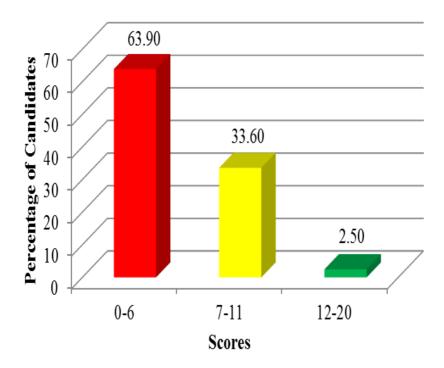


Figure 6: The percentage of candidates and their scores in question 6

This question was among the questions that were attempted by few candidates. The data analysis indicated that the performance of the candidates was average as 114 (36.10%) candidates out of 316 who attempted the question scored from 7-15 marks out of 20 marks. The analysis of responses indicated that these candidates provided incomplete responses. Most of them provided three or four points, but only two

deserved full 3 marks while other points had less marks. Moreover, some of the candidates repeated the same points in different words.

On the one hand, 8 (2.50%) candidates who scored between 12 and 15 marks explained the theme of "the Mighty One is coming" in relation to the prophecy of Isaiah about the coming of the Messiah (Isaiah 1-12). Some of the correct responses given by candidates include the following: (i) The glorious age where the Messiah would reign and teach the people and there will be no war, as told in Isaiah 2:2-4. (ii) The Branch of the Lord. Here the Messiah is represented as a branch growing out of the Family Tree of David (Isaiah 4:2-6). (iii) The Deity of the Child, implied in the name of Immanuel which means "God is with us" (Isaiah 7:13-14). This is what we find in John's idea of Jesus' Incarnation (God becoming flesh – John 1:1ff.). (iv) Isaiah 9:1-2 refers to the Eternal King promised to David (2 Samuel 7:16). The same person spoken of centuries earlier at Shiloh, the Star and the *Prophet like Moses.* (v) *Isaiah 11:1-10 is about the reign of the Branch. The* reign has become even clear; that which was told in Isaiah 4:2-6 has been magnified. The Messiah will declare the universal peace in His reign. This implies that the candidates had good knowledge and understanding of the subject matter about the Mighty One is coming.

On the other hand, 202 (63.90%) candidates scored less than 7 marks indicating poor performance. Among these, 4 (1.30%) candidates scored 0 due to the failure of the candidates to understand the requirements of the question and lack of knowledge of the theme of "the Mighty One is coming." Some of them, for example, wrote about the themes of Isaiah in general instead of writing about the theme of "the Mighty One is coming." There were also some candidates who wrote about the visions of Amos instead of the given theme. Other candidates provided New Testament ideas such as the resurrection and ascension of Jesus Christ and the second coming of the Messiah (the Christ). Extract 6.1 is a sample of a poor response from one of the candidates in question 6 of paper 1.

6:	The Following are the points to the theme that
	"the mighty one is coming" in connection with the prophecy
	of Isaih about the Messiah in Isiah chapter 1 to 2.
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	him appeared from the cloud and no one who will
	not see him coming
	The dead will rice from the durt; Also the
	coming or Messain shows that the dead people will rise
	From the dust and all of them will join with God for
	these who died into God's hand.
	The mountains, rivers, seas among other will
	move from one place to another: Messain coming
	will involve the movement where by the mountain
	will move from one place to another place.
	The sinner will run away from the pre-
	cence or trad: Due to the glory of God the sinner
	Will run away asking For the mountain to hide them
	but will not be able to do that.
	These who are in the hand of the lord
	will welcome him: For those people who are believi-
	ng about Jesus and his message will join with the
	Lord with joy taken to heaven.
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Extract 6.1: A sample of a candidate's poor response in question 6.

In this sample extract, the candidate wrote the response in the context of the second coming (*Parousia*) of the Lord Jesus Christ instead of writing about the theme of "the Mighty One is coming" according to the Book of Isaiah.

2.2.4 Question 7: The Book of Prophet Jeremiah

In this question the candidates were required to analyse three groups of people who hated Prophet Jeremiah and then give two reasons for their hatred.

The question was attempted by 364 (31.03%) candidates out of 1,173 who sat for this paper. Among them, 218 (59.89%) candidates scored from 12-20 marks indicating good performance; 89 (24.45%) candidates scored from 7-

11 marks indicating average performance while 57 (15.66%) candidates scored from 0-6 marks indicating poor performance. Figure 7 illustrates this performance by showing the percentage of candidates and their scores.

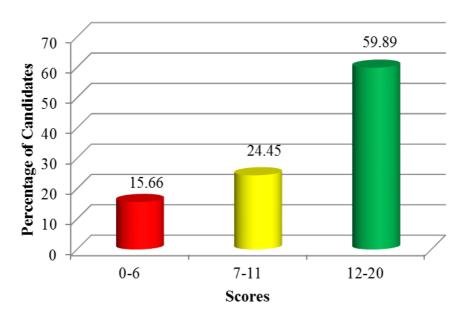


Figure 7: The percentage of candidates and their scores in question 7

On the one hand, the general performance of the candidates for this question was good. Data analysis shows that 307 (84.34%) candidates scored from 7-19 marks indicating good performance. Most of the candidates were able to analyse the groups of people who hated Prophet Jeremiah and the reasons for the hatred. The responses of 218 (59.89%) candidates contained the required information hence deserving 12 to 19 marks. The responses given by candidates were such as: (i) the kings/princes/leaders who saw Jeremiah as a political traitor, (ii) the priests who failed to seek the Lord and hated Jeremiah as he used to speak against the temple. (iii) The false prophets who were challenged of their falsity, (iv) people of Judah (ordinary people) as Jeremiah used to confront them of their evil deeds telling them that they would be taken to exile and (v) his own people (the people of Anathoth), because Jeremiah did not participate in any social activity in his own family.

This indicates that the candidates were familiar with the biblical concepts, events and important persons in the Book of Prophet Jeremiah. A sample of a good response from one of the candidates is represented by Extract 7.1.

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during his young age but he feared due to his youn
ger age and lack of confidence concerning what he
usuld talk short with the people. During his prophatic
ger age and lack of confidence concerning what he would talk what with the people. During his prophotic ministry, Jeremiah was told by God not to marry
or perform in any community functions. The following
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are the groups of people who hated Prophet Teremiah. Religious leaders; such as Priest Pashhur, Jeremia-
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ah did not fear them. All that he prophecized in
the temple became true. That is why the religious
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Political leaders; most of the political leaders hated prophet Jeremian because of his condemnations towards them about their social
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evil deeds like exploitation; humiliation and overtaxati
on which they were doing to their citizens. They did not like him because he was against them The people of Israel; the Israelites hated
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he made were about doom and thunder and
he made were about doom and thunder and all these became true. Also they hated him
because of his utterances towards those who
were committing sins.
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thus made them think that he was collabora
ting with the enemies the provided the massage
Prophet Jeremiah's prophecies became true thus made them think that he was collabora ting with the enemies the provided the massage of destruction and it became true.

7 Prophet Jeremiah did not perform in any comm-
unity functions like Juneral and wedding. He did not ma
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of celebration while there is a massage of destruction.
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poses with each one of us. All of us should not hato
the messengers of God because by hating them
we hate God who sent them with the
massage. Instead of hating them we should report our
Sins.

Extract 7.1: A sample of a candidate's correct response in question 7.

As indicated in data analysis, there were 89 (24.45%) candidates who had average performance. These candidates provided correct responses, but did not give detailed information for their points. Some of the candidates identified the three groups of people who hated the prophet but did not give the reasons for their hatred. Therefore, they ended scoring between 7 and 11 marks out of 20.

On the other hand, 57 (15.66%) candidates scored low (0-6) marks. These candidates failed to analyse the groups of those who hated Jeremiah as per question's requirements. Their responses showed that they had inadequate knowledge of the book of Jeremiah. Among these lower scorers, 3 (0.8%) candidates scored 0 because they provided explanations which were neither analysis of the groups of people who hated Prophet Jeremiah nor reasons for hatred. There were some candidates who wrote about the people who hated Jesus in the New Testament which was out of the context of the question. For example, one of the candidates wrote that the Sadducees, the Pharisees and the prostitutes were among the groups of people who hated Jeremiah. This candidate did not acquire the required competence in the subject in general and the paper in particular. That is to say, the candidates did not know what 114/1 Divinity 1 is all about. If the candidate attended classes, then it might be there were problems associated with teaching and learning processes. Extract 7.2 is a sample of an incorrect response in question 7.

7.	Jeremiah book- Refers to to book that	
	explain about our life and things which are	
	practical in our society. Termiah book are very	
	important in our southy because it make most	
	of to majority to conduct good Things in the	
	a community. The following are to three gioupes	
	of people who hated prophet Teremiah.	
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	great and Practising this behaviour that	
	hated other people in our society.	
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	and other Thing While can make majority hated	
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	to book of Jeremiah, so people Should avoid	
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Extract 7.2: A sample of a candidate's incorrect response in question 7.

In this extract, the candidate wrote about evil deeds instead of writing about the groups of people who hated Jeremiah.

2.2.5 Question 8: The Book of Prophet Amos

In this question, the candidates were required to show five evil deeds denounced by Prophet Amos and relate them to the current situation in Tanzania according to the book of Amos.

The question was attempted by 1,109 (94.54%) candidates out of 1,173 who sat for this paper. Among these, 899 (81.06%) candidates scored from 12-20 marks; 173 (15.60%) candidates scored from 7-11 marks and 37 (3.34%) candidates scored from 0-6 marks. This performance is illustrated in Figure 8.

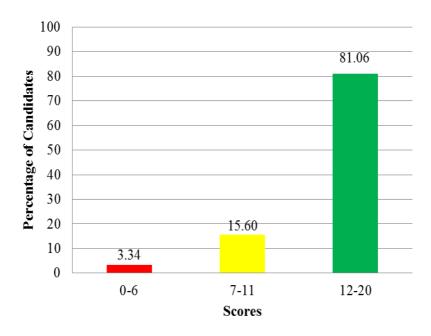


Figure 8: The percentage of candidates and their scores in question 8

As indicated in data analysis, the general performance of the candidates for this question was good as 1,072 (96.66%) candidates scored from 7-20 marks, with 899 (81.06%) candidates scoring high marks ranging from 12-20. These candidates were able to provide relevant points, showing evil deeds that were denounced by Prophet Amos and related them to the current situation in Tanzania. Some of the responses provided include the following: (i) Amos condemned the rich for selling the poor into slavery after failing to pay back the debt (Amos 2:6). (ii) Amos condemned people who profaned the name of the Lord by committing sexual immorality (Amos 2:7). (iii) Women of Samaria were condemned for drunkenness, spending more money than is necessary and encouraging their husband to exploit the poor (Amos 4:1-3). (iv) The rich and other people in power grabbed the property of the poor and other less privileged people because they had no one to defend them (Amos 6:1-8). (v) Peasants were forced to till the land of the rich with no pay (Amos 5:11). (vi) The merchants were rebuked for cheating the poor by using inaccurate weighing scales, overcharging them and selling worthless goods (Amos 8:4-6). (vii) The poor were denied justice in the courts of law (Amos 5:12).

The responses of the candidates indicated that they had a clear understanding on the requirements of the question and were familiar with the Book of Amos in terms of its message, concepts, facts and themes.

About 173 (15.60%) candidates out of 1,109 candidates who attempted the question scored average marks. Most of these candidates had some knowledge about Prophet Amos and clear understanding on the requirements of the question, but they provided few points. Others provided five points without sufficient explanations. As a result, they scored between 7 and 11 marks out of 20.

On the contrary, 37 (3.34%) candidates scored low marks because they failed to show the evil deeds denounced by Prophet Amos. The failure to show the evil deeds led to the failure to relate them to the current situation in Tanzania. For example, instead of writing about the evil deeds denounced by Prophet Amos, some of them wrote about his visions. Moreover, instead of showing the evil deeds denounced by Amos the prophet, some of the candidates portrayed him as a bad leader who misled the people of Israel by committing several evil deeds. For example, one of the candidates had this conclusion;

Therefore, the prophet Amos in Israel stimulate fail to lead people to God. Therefore, the prophet Amos in his process of lead people to God in apart to his evils stimulate to fail. And also in his societies in Tanzania, there are prophet like Amos that teach people false word of God. There in Tanzania today are prophet like Amos.

This shows that the candidates did not understand the requirements of the question and had insufficient knowledge of the Book of Prophet Amos. Extract 8.1 is a sample of a poor response from one of the candidates in question 8 of paper 1.

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Extract 8.1: A sample of a candidate's incorrect response in question 8.

In this response, the candidate wrote about Amos as a sinner instead of writing about the evil deeds which he fought against.

3.0 ITEM RESPONSE ANALYSIS FOR EACH QUESTION IN 114/2 DIVINITY PAPER 2

3.1 PART I: The Four Gospels

This part deals with questions from the Gospel of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. It consists of four questions, of which candidates were required to answer three. The following is the analysis of responses of the candidates.

3.1.1 Question 1: The Gospel of Matthew

The candidates were required explain as to why Matthew, a Jewish writer, dared to sample out some women in the family tree of Jesus. They were supposed to give three reasons and two lessons from Matthews' inclusion of such women.

The question was attempted by 748 (63.93%) candidates out of 1,170 who sat for this paper. Their performance was that 313 (41.85%) candidates scored from 12-20 marks indicating good performance; 204 (27.27%) candidates scored from 7-11 marks indicating average performance while 231 (30.88%) candidates scored from 0-6 marks indicating poor performance. This performance is illustrated in Figure 9.

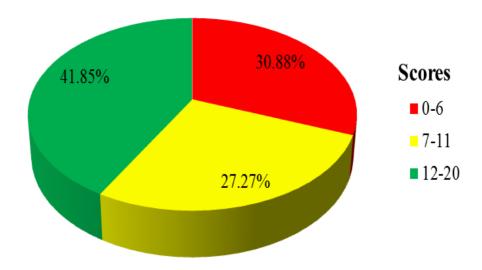


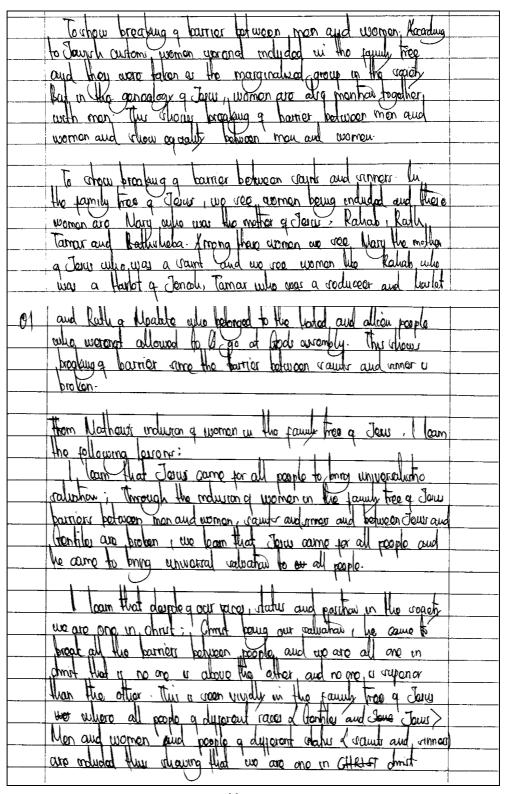
Figure 9: The percentage of candidates and their scores in question 1

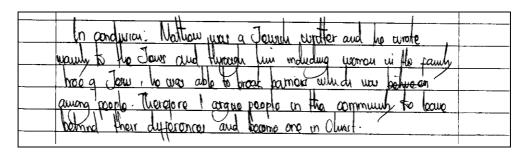
The general performance in this question was good because 517 (69.12%) candidates out of 748 who attempted the question scored 7-20 marks. Among them, 313 (41.85%) candidates scored high (12-20) marks because they answered the question well. Most of them provided relevant reasons and lessons from Matthew's inclusion of women in the genealogy (family tree) of Jesus. The responses from candidates include: (i) Matthew wanted to show the Jews that any genealogy has both men and women (ii) Matthew sampled out women from Jews and Gentiles to demonstrate that Jesus had connection to the whole human race not only Jews. (iii) Matthew wanted to show that Jesus came for people of all different characteristics or behaviour, saints like Ruth and Mary; and sinners like Rahab. (iv) Matthew's intention was to show that women played an important role in God's plan of salvation. (v) Matthew intended to show gender equality between men and women. (vi) Matthew also intended to correct racial discrimination by showing that all races have equal value before God. The inclusion of Jewish and non-Jewish women in the genealogy of Jesus indicates that Jews and Gentiles are equal. The lessons that can be derived from Matthew's inclusion of women include: (i) God is universal. He is not limited to a particular race, gender or any particular group. He uses anyone to accomplish his purpose regardless of gender race or status. (ii) Women are as important as men in God's plan and both are God's instruments to build up his Kingdom. None of them can claim a special privilege before

God apart from the other but both (men and women) have equal responsibility and status before God. (iii) God is able to make sinners to become His instruments in His plan of Salvation. It was God who transformed Rahab who was a prostitute to become righteous.

The responses given by the candidates indicated that they had adequate knowledge of the subject matter and a clear understanding on the requirements of the question. Extract 9.1 is sample of a good response to question 1 in paper 2.

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Extract 9.1: A sample of a candidate's good response in question 1 of paper 2.

There were 204 (27.27%) candidates who scored average (7-11) marks. The analysis of their responses showed that, the candidates had knowledge of the family tree of Jesus, but were unable to provide the responses fully. That is, they provided part of the responses. For example, some of them wrote three correct reasons but without lessons learnt, while others had two reasons and one lesson from Matthew's inclusion of women in Jesus' genealogy; as a result they scored only 9 marks. This indicates that though they had knowledge of the genealogy of Jesus, they were not very conversant with the women.

Moreover, 231 (30.88%) candidates performed poorly by scoring low marks ranging from 0-6 because they gave weak responses. Among these, 59 (7.89%) candidates scored 0. Their responses indicated that the candidates had inadequate knowledge of the family tree of Jesus and failed to understand the requirements of the question. Most of them wrote concepts not relating to the question. For example, one of them wrote Jesus' words on the cross, saying, Eloi, Eloi lama sabach-thani? Other candidates wrote about the role of women in the society in general, without any relationship with the biblical women, especially in the Gospel according to Matthew. Other candidates provided names like Mary Magdalene, Joanna and Susanna who are not in Matthew's genealogy, but they were the women who accompanied Jesus in his ministry (Luke 8:2-3). This shows that the candidates did not understand the requirements of the question and were not well informed about the women who were included by Matthew in the family tree of Jesus. Extract 9.2 is a sample of a poor response to question 1 in paper 2.

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Extract 9.2: The candidate's irrelevant responses to question 1 in paper 2.

In the sample extract, the candidate answered a question not asked. Instead of writing about women in the family tree of Jesus, he/she wrote about Jesus' use of examples in teaching.

3.1.2 Question 2: The Gospel of Mark

The candidates were required to explain how the church and government leaders can imitate Jesus' attitude to leadership by giving five points with reference to the Gospel according to Mark.

The question was attempted by 959 (81.97%) out of 1,170 candidates who sat for this paper, of which 513 (53.49%) candidates scored from 12-20 marks; 308 (32.12%) candidates scored from 7-11 marks and 138 (14.39%) candidates scored from 0-6 marks. The general performance of candidates was good as shown in Figure 10.

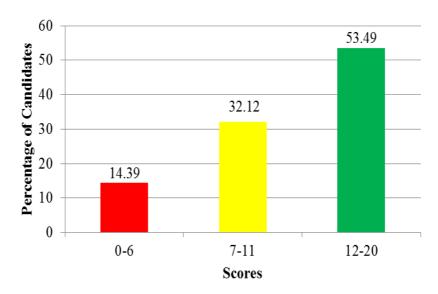


Figure 10: The percentage of candidates and their scores in question 2

The analysis of data depicts that 821 (85.61%) candidates performed well as they scored from 7-20 marks. Among them, 513 (53.49%) candidates scored high marks ranging from 12-20, as they explained how the church and government leaders can imitate Jesus' attitude to leadership as required. The correct responses were such as: (i) Jesus' Humility, that is, Jesus set a model of leadership as humility, which is the freedom from pride. (ii) His Service, in which Jesus considers true greatness as service. Today's leaders should think of what they will do for others and not what others will do for them. (iii) To sacrifice oneself. Jesus sacrificed his rights as a divine person and took on a form of a human servant for the sake of liberating the whole

world. Leaders should sacrifice themselves for their nation; that is patriotism. (iv) Perseverance in suffering and unjust treatment. Leadership entails persevering unjust sufferings. Jesus set a model by praying for those who were persecuting him, to be forgiven, for they knew not what they were doing. This is a scarce quality among today's leaders who cannot tolerate challenges in service to others. (v) Renunciation of human struggle for privilege and status and (vi) His Love to serve and save. Jesus set a model as he was moved by love to serve and save humanity from the bondage of sin. Today's leaders should ask themselves about what motivates them to aspire for leadership. Love is the only context in which service and sacrifice have value and meaning.

The candidates' responses proved that they had adequate knowledge of the topic and understood the requirements of the question. Moreover, they were able to express the points clearly as well as having a good command in English language. Extract 10.1 is a sample of a good response for question 2 in paper 2.

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Extract 10.1: A sample of a good response from one of the candidate for question 2 in paper 2.

This question was performed averagely by 308 (32.12%) candidates who scored from 7-11 marks. This performance can be attributed to insufficient information given for their responses. Some of them, for example, gave points without enough explanations. Others wrote the leadership qualities of Jesus without relating them to the current church and government leaders. This means that, although they had adequate knowledge of the subject matter and understood the requirements of question, the candidates did not link what they learnt in the classroom to real life experiences. So, they failed to deliver the required responses in detail.

On the contrary, 138 (14.39%) candidates scored from 0-6 marks because they gave weak responses, among whom, 21 (2.19%) candidates scored 0. In general, they failed to explain how the church and government leaders can imitate Jesus' attitude to leadership. For example, some of them wrote the negative attitude of religious and political leaders towards Jesus. Some of the candidates described the behaviour of leaders at the time of Jesus such as rudeness, hypocrisy, killing God's messengers, and unfaithfulness. There were also some who wrote different miracles performed by Jesus instead of explaining how the church and government leaders can imitate Jesus' attitude to leadership. One of the candidates wrote, ... Jesus imitated to be king of Jews, son of God, teacher, carpenter and Elijah.

These responses confirm that the candidates lacked the knowledge of the Gospel of Mark, especially, concerning Jesus' attitude toward leadership

and failed to identify the requirements of the question. This can be seen in Extract 10.2.

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Extract 10.2: The candidate's incorrect responses given in question 2, paper 2.

In the sample extract, the candidate wrote about government leaders imitating evil deeds done by church leaders instead of the good things leaders can learn from Jesus.

3.1.3 Question 3: The Gospel of Luke

The candidates were required to show the similarities and differences between the birth stories of Jesus the Christ and John the Baptist basing on the gospel of Luke.

The question was attempted by 1,070 (91.50%) candidates out of 1,170 who sat for this paper. About their performance, 684 (63.92%) candidates scored from 12-20 marks indicating good performance; 234 (21.87%) candidates scored from 7-11 marks signifying average performance while 152 (14.21%) candidates scored from 0-6 marks indicating poor performance. This performance is illustrated in Figure 11.

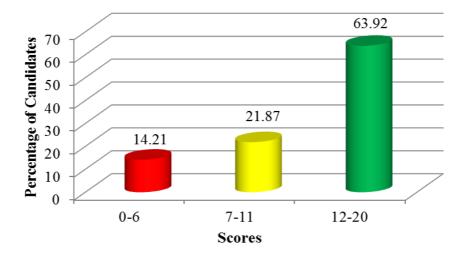


Figure 11: The percentage of candidates and their scores in question 3

As indicated in Figure 11, the analysis shows that there were 918 (85.79%) candidates who performed well in this question by scoring 7 marks and above. Among these, the higher scorers, who were 684(63.92%), candidates gave relevant responses that showed the similarities and differences between the birth stories of Jesus Christ and John the Baptist. The candidates showed the similarities in the way their births were foretold, foretelling of their names and their mission; the feeling of fear by their parents (Zechariah and

Mary) and their expression of doubt of the parents. Moreover, the candidates made the contrast on the manner of their conception whereby Jesus was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit without his parents' biological contact (Luke 1:35). In contrast, John the Baptist was born by biological contact between the parents and was filled by the Holy Spirit from his mother's womb (Luke 1:15). Regarding their age, the parents of John the Baptist were advanced in years but the parents of Jesus were still youths who had just got engaged to each other as fiancée and fiancé. Concerning the status of their parents, Elizabeth the mother of John the Baptist was barren, apart from being advanced in years (Luke 1:6-7) while Mary the mother of Jesus was a young virgin who was just affianced to Joseph, but not yet married to him (Luke 1:27, 34).

The responses of the candidates implied that they were knowledgeable about the birth stories of Jesus the Christ and John the Baptist as well as having a clear understanding on the requirements of the question. Extract 11.1 is a sample of a good response given in question 3 of paper 2.

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Extract 11.1: A sample of a candidete's good response for question 3 in paper 2.

On the one hand, there were 234 (21.87%) candidates who scored average marks ranging from 7-11. This was due to the fact that they provided responses which were not exhaustive. For example, some of them explained only similarities and skipped the differences and vice versa. Most of the candidates in this category provided only two relevant points with other irrelevant points. Others wrote responses which depicted that they knew the

stories but lacked English language proficiency, which deprived them of the ability to explain the points clearly.

On the other hand, there were 152 (14.21%) candidates who scored below 7 marks. Among them, 23 (2.15%) candidates scored 0. Their responses were an indication that they did not understand the requirements of the question. This deprived them of the ability to show the similarities and differences between the birth stories of Jesus Christ and John the Baptist. Instead, some of them provided the differences and similarities between the Gospel of John and the Gospel of Luke. Other candidates wrote about similarity and difference between the ministry of Jesus Christ and the ministry of John the Baptist instead of showing the similarities and differences between the birth stories of Jesus Christ and John the Baptist. Extract 11.2 is a sample of a poor response given in question 3 of paper 2.

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Extract 11.2: A sample of a candidate's poor response given in question 3 of paper 2.

The candidate compared the Gospel of Luke with the birth stories of Jesus instead of comparing and differentiating between the birth stories of John the Baptist and Jesus Christ.

3.1.4 Question 4: The Gospel of John

The candidates were required to summarize the dialogue between Jesus and Nicodemus the Pharisee according to John 3:1-21.

The question was attempted by 421 (35.98%) candidates out of 1,170 who sat for this paper. Among these, 84 (20.00%) candidates scored from 12-20 marks indicating good performance; 112 (26.60%) candidates scored from 7-11 marks indicating average performance while 225 (53.40%) candidates scored from 0-6 marks (poor performance) as illustrated by Figure 12.

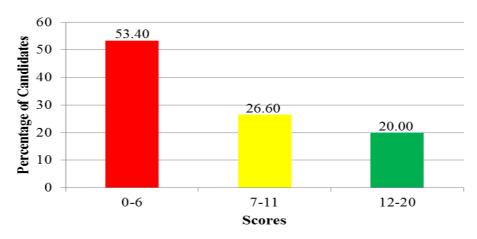


Figure 12: The percentage of candidates and their scores in question 4

The general performance of the candidates in this question was good as 196 (46.60%) candidates scored 7 marks and above. Among these, 84 (20.00%) candidates scored high marks (that is, 7 marks and above) as they managed to summarise the dialogue between Jesus and Nicodemus the Pharisee according to John 3:1-21. This implies that they had adequate knowledge of the story of Nicodemus and understood the requirements of the question. Moreover, their proficiency in English language and skills in summarizing stories facilitated them to give a good summary of the dialogue between Jesus and Nicodemus the Pharisee.

The candidates who performed averagely were 112 in number, which equals to 26.60 percent of the candidates who attempted the question. The analysis of their responses indicated that the candidates knew the dialogue but were unable to make a complete summary of the dialogue between Jesus and Nicodemus. The candidates summarised the story by leaning on one side; that is to say, they made one of the two (either Jesus or Nicodemus) active and passive. For example, some of the candidates summarised only the words of Jesus talking to Nicodemus without showing what Nicodemus the Pharisee said to Jesus and vice versa. This implies that the candidates had adequate knowledge of the story, yet did not know that a dialogue is two-way traffic (conversation).

Conversely, 225 (53.40%) candidates performed poorly. Among these, 53 (12.60%) candidates scored 0 as they failed to summarise the dialogue between Jesus and Nicodemus the Pharisee. For example, instead of the story of Jesus and Nicodemus some of the candidates summarised the story of Jesus and the rich young man who asked Jesus what to do in order to inherit the kingdom of God (Luke 18:18-25). Others wrote the story of Jesus and the Roman centurion whose faith was recommended by Jesus as the greatest faith in Israel (Luke 7:1-10). Moreover, one of the candidates was mixed up between the name and the story of Nicodemus with that of Cornelius (Acts 10) and wrote:

...Nicodemus used to work on ways of God and therefore it was a day when Nicodemus was giving sacrifice to Lord and suddenly the Holy Spirit inspired him to go a place where Paul is presence so that he can be served and commit completely to the God and the angel of God send the message to Paul about the coming of Nicodemus and hence Paul welcomed them and he preaches about words of God and hence Nicodemus he become aware of God and hence from that point Nicodemus served the Lord.

These responses reveal that the candidates had inadequate knowledge of important persons and events according to the Gospel of John. Extract 12.2 is a sample of a poor response given in question 4 of paper 2.

Extract 12.2: A poor responses given by a candidate in question 4 of paper 2.

In the extract, the candidate identified Nicodemus with the Pharisees who went to ask Jesus whether it was lawful to pay tax to Caesar or not. The response was out of context.

3.2 PART II: The Apostolic Age

The Apostolic Age refers to the period from the death of Jesus Christ until the death of the last of the Twelve Apostles. It is the period when the Apostles were active, the period of the beginning and the growth/spread of the church as reported in the Book of the Acts of the Apostles and the Epistles (Letters). This part had three questions of which candidates were required to answer two. The questions were set from the Acts of the Apostles, the Letter of St. Paul to the Galatians and the First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians. The following is the analysis of responses of the candidates.

3.2.1 Question 5: The Book of the Acts of the Apostles

The candidates were required to analyse five of the procedures which the Apostles and disciples of Jesus followed in carrying out a fair and free

election in choosing someone to replace Judas Iscariot according to Acts 1:15-26.

The question was attempted by 471 (40.26%) candidates out of 1,170 who sat for this paper. The analysis indicated that 192 (40.80%) candidates scored from 12-20 marks indicating good performance, whereas 101 (21.40%) candidates scored from 7-11 marks (average performance) and 178 (37.80%) candidates scored from 0-6 marks indicating weak performance. This analysis is exemplified in Figure 13.

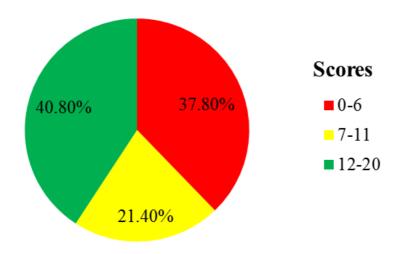


Figure 13: *The candidates' performance in question 5*

Through data analysis and the illustrations indicated in Figure 13, the general performance of the candidates in this question was good. A total of 263 (62.20%) candidates scored 7 marks and above. The candidates who scored high marks were 192, equal to 40.80 percent of all the candidates who attempted the question. Most of them analysed correctly the procedures which the apostles followed in carrying out that election. The correct responses given by the candidates include: reading the Scriptures, consideration of the qualifications, nomination of candidates, prayer, casting lots or voting and counting votes and announcing the results.

Their responses revealed the fact that the candidates were knowledgeable about the event of the election of the one to replace Judas Iscariot, and that they had clear understanding of the question requirements. Extract 13.1 is a sample of a good response given in question 5 of paper 2.

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Extract 13.1: A sample of a candidate's good responses given in question 5 (paper 2).

Moreover, the analysis showed that 101 (21.40%) candidates scored average marks as some of them provided the procedures without enough details. Other candidates provided only three correct points while most of them did not write about reading the Scriptures, voting, counting and announcing results.

Furthermore, 178 (37.80%) candidates scored low marks. These candidates scored below 7 marks because they failed to analyse the procedures of the election as per question requirements. Among them, 17 (3.61%) candidates scored 0. These demonstrated lack of knowledge of the event.

At the same time, there were some who provided explanations which were not procedures for election, for example, those who wrote about the procedures to be followed in disciplining members of the church. They wrote about how to deal with the one who sins against another person, which was irrelevant to the question. For example, one of the candidates wrote,

...if someone sins against you; go and tell him his mistake when the two of you are alone. If he does not hear you, then take with you one or two as witnesses. If again he will refuse to listen to them, tell the church and if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector.

This implies that either the candidates did not read the question carefully to understand its context and requirements or they did not know the event of election of someone to replace Judas Iscariot. On top of that, the candidates misunderstood the question, probably, due to lack of English language proficiency. Moreover, there were other responses which showed that the candidates were not familiar with the topic and did not know what election is. This failure could be as a result of problems associated with problems during teaching and learning processes; such that the candidates were not able to deliver the expected outcomes of their learning. Extract 13.2 is a sample of a poor response given in question 5 (paper 2).

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Extract 13.2: A sample of a candidate's incorrect response given in question 5.

In this response the candidate wrote about Jesus' use of parables in teaching instead of analysing the procedures which the Apostles and disciples of Jesus followed in carrying out a fair and free election in choosing someone to replace Judas Iscariot according to Acts 1:15-26.

3.2.2 Question 6: The Letter to the Galatians

The candidates were required to explain five of the fruit of the Holy Spirit in the letter to the Galatians.

The question was attempted by 974 (83.25%) candidates out of 1,170 who sat for this paper. Their performance was that 371 (38.09%) candidates scored from 12-20 marks (good); 211 candidates (21.66%) scored from 7-11 marks (average) and 392 (40.25%) candidates scored from 0-6 marks (weak). The general performance of candidates in this question was average. Figure 14 illustrates the analysis.

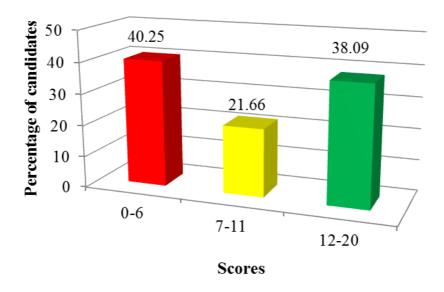


Figure 14: The percentage of candidates and their scores in question 6

The candidates' performance in this question was average because 582 (59.75%) candidates out of 974 scored 7 marks and above. The candidates who scored high marks ranging from 12-20 were 371 which equals to 38.09 percent of all the candidates who attempted the question. Such candidates were able to explain the fruit of the Holy Spirit which include: *love*, *joy*, *peace*, *patience*, *kindness*, *goodness*, *faithfulness*, *gentleness* and *self-control*.

The candidates provided responses which showed that they were familiar with Pauls' teachings on the fruit of the Holy Spirit as recorded in his epistle to the Galatians. Extract 14.1 is a sample of a good response given in question 6.

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Extract 14.1: A response of a candidate who explained the fruit of the Holy Spirit correctly in question 6 paper 2.

As shown in the analysis of data, 211(21.66%) candidates scored average marks because they provided correct responses while some of the points had incomplete explanations. There were also candidates who mixed up the fruit of the Holy Spirit with the function or role of the Holy Spirit. For example, some of them wrote three correct points on the fruit of the Holy Spirit and two functions of the Holy Spirit, which were not asked. In general, the responses indicated that the candidates had some knowledge about Paul's teaching on fruit of the Holy Spirit and understanding on the requirements of the question, but were unable to express the required information fully.

In contrast, 392 (40.25%) candidates performed poorly by scoring less than 7 marks. Among them, 53 (5.44%) candidates scored 0. Most of them wrote responses that were totally out of the context of the question. For example, there were candidates who wrote about the role of the Holy Spirit to the birth of Jesus and John the Baptist. Others wrote about the work of the Holy Spirit in the mission of Paul and in the Ministry of Jesus. Their responses

showed that the candidates failed to distinguish between the fruit of the Holy Spirit and the functions of the Holy Spirit. The weak performance of candidates in this question was due to failure to understand the requirements of the question and inadequate knowledge of the topic. Other reasons include candidates' failure to differentiate between the fruit of the Holy Spirit and the functions of the Holy Spirit, and inability to write well in English language. Extract 14.2 is a sample of an incorrect response given in question 6 (paper 2).

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Extract 14.2: A sample of incorrect response of a candidate in question 6.

In the extract, the candidate wrote about the gifts of the Holy Spirit (wisdom, knowledge and courage) instead of the fruit of the Holy Spirit.

3.2.3 Question 7: The First Letter to the Corinthians

The candidates were required to justify the statement which said, "Freedom without limitation becomes chaos and a cause of disunity", with reference to 1 Corinthians and give examples from the church which can cause disunity today.

The question was attempted by 689 (58.89%) candidates out of 1,170 who sat for this paper. Their performance was that 108 (15.67%) candidates scored from 12-20 marks (good); 258 (37.45%) candidates scored from 7-11 marks (average) while 323 (46.88%) candidates scored from 0-6 marks (weak). This analysis is illustrated in Figure 15.

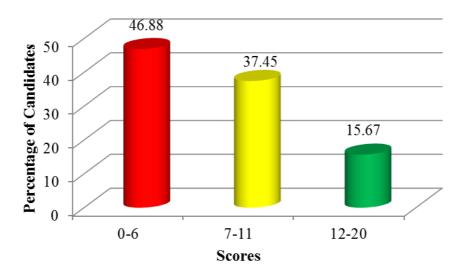


Figure 15: The percentage of candidates and their scores in question 7

The analysis revealed that the general performance of the candidates in this question was average as 366 (53.12%) candidates out of 689 scored above 7 marks. Among these, 108 (15.67%) candidates scored above average, ranging from 12-20 marks. The candidates were able to give relevant points to justify the statement that *freedom without limitation becomes chaos and a cause of disunity* by providing examples issues (from the church) which can cause disunity today. Their responses demonstrated their ability to understand and adhere to the requirements of the question. This is due to candidates' achievement of the required skills of applying classroom instructions in their daily lives. They used their general knowledge to make

assessment of the causes of disunity in the church of Corinth in explaining about the causes of disunity in the church today.

The correct responses given by the candidates include:

- (i) Problems in Holy Communion participation in the Corinthian church. Christians gathered for Holy Communion, but some of them, particularly the rich came earlier and partook the meal and drinks to the extent of becoming drunk while those who came late to the gathering (the servants of the rich people) were humiliated, because they were left with nothing to partake.
- (ii) The issue of spiritual gifts: The Corinthians magnified the gift of speaking in tongues above all other gifts. Those who had this gift considered themselves supper Christians and despised others.
- (iii) Women not covering their heads: In both Jewish and Greek society, a woman was expected to dress accordingly as a sign of her modesty and respectability. A woman who did not cover her hair was considered to be a prostitute. In the Corinthian church, some women claimed that covering their heads or not will not affect their spirituality, hence, division.
- (iv) Men not cutting their hair: A man with long hair like a woman was counted as disgraceful. Some men demanded freedom without limitation arguing that spirituality has nothing to do with the way they put their hair. Therefore, they kept their hair long like those of women the thing which offended some members of the community and became a scandal.
- (v) The case of meat offered to the idols: In Corinthian city much of the meat which was sold in the market places was from animals sacrificed in pagan temples. Many Christians had negative attitude to such meat while other Christians did not mind and felt superior to those who did not eat. This was a stumbling block to the faith of those weak Christians and wounded their conscience. (vi) Division based on four personalities namely Paul, Peter, Apollos and Jesus (1 Corinthians 1:10-17; 3:4-5): Corinthian Christians had divided themselves into factions. Some called themselves Paul's party because he was the founder of the Corinthian church. Others formed Apollos' party because he was more eloquent in preaching than Paul while others called themselves Peter's party because he was appointed

by Jesus to lead the church. The fourth group claimed even higher leadership than that of Peter, Apollos and Paul by calling themselves Christ's special party.

Moreover, the candidates were able to give examples of matters from the Church which can cause disunity at present. The correct points include:

- (i) Lack of exemplary behaviour among some church leaders: Some church leaders are not good examples to the members of the church. Therefore, church members decide to abandon and join other churches or initiate their own ministries.
- (ii) Introduction of new or foreign styles of worship: In different churches there are different styles (mode/manner) of worship. For example, most historical churches have special liturgies and hymns. When a new style is introduced in the church, it can cause disunity among the members. Some members may be willing to adopt the new style while others are not. Sometimes members disagree about the length of the worship services caused by music and long sermons. Those who feel that the sermon is too long they decide to quit and join other churches or remain home.
- (iii) Doctrinal differences: Doctrine has often been divisive throughout the history of the church. Many denominations today are the result of one or more doctrinal differences causing a group to split. The thousands of denominations worldwide is an attestation of divisions in the church that were caused by doctrinal differences.
- (iv) The dressing styles: This is another aspect that threatens to divide the church. Some dressing styles are not permitted in certain churches while allowed in others. Some members who feel that the rules of their churches are in conflict with their freedom of dressing decide to join other churches.
- (v) Misuse of church funds: Some members of the church may decide to abandon their churches due to dissatisfaction with the expenditure of the church collections. The misuse of funds in some churches has

caused expulsion of church leaders who, consequently, decide to start their own new gatherings called ministries.

This implies that the candidates understood the requirement of the question and had adequate knowledge of the topic.

Those who scored average marks were 258 (37.45%) candidates. They scored less than 12 marks because, though they had correct points, they did not supply enough information to justify the statement that *freedom without limitation becomes chaos and a cause of disunity*. For example, some of them provided the application part, as they gave examples from the church which can cause disunity today, without any relation with the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians. Others gave correct points from the 1 Corinthians, but did not give examples from the church today.

On the contrary, 323 (46.88%) candidates scored less than 7 marks. Most of these candidates gave unsatisfactory responses. Among them, 19 (2.80%) candidates scored 0 as they failed to justify the statement that *freedom without limitation becomes chaos and a cause of disunity*. For example, some of the candidates described about freedom of movement. There were also some candidates who wrote about polygamy as a source of poverty instead of writing about the causes of disunity. Some of them responded that divorce is one of the reasons for division of the church. Moreover, one of the candidates wrote about terrorism as among the points to justify the statement. This implies that the candidates lacked knowledge of the subject matter and did not understand the requirements of the question. Extract 15.1 is a sample of a weak response given by the candidate in question 7 (paper 2).

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Extract 15.1: A sample of a candidate's irrelevant response given in question 7 paper 2.

In this sample extract, the candidate wrote about themes and concepts in Pauline literature such as salvation by grace, justification by faith and righteousness instead of showing how freedom without limitation becomes a chaos and cause disunity and the examples of issues (from the church) which can cause disunity at present.

4.0 ANALYSIS OF THE CANDIDATES' PERFORMANCE PER TOPIC

Divinity Paper One (114/1) comprised eight questions from different topics/sub-topics. The analysis revealed that the general performance for the paper was good because the percentage of candidates who scored 35 percent or above was 73.13. The topic with the highest performance was *Faith and Teachings: Prophecy and Prophets* which had 97.48 percent of the candidates who did well, followed by *Prophetic Literature: The Book of Amos*, which had 96.66 percent, *The book of Judges* (88.68%), *Prophetic Literature: The book of Jeremiah* (83.34%) and *The Earlier Prophets: The Prophetic Mission of Elijah and Elisha* (63.50%). The topics with average performance were *Establishment of Monarchy in Israel* having 59.92 percent of the candidates who did well, *Prophetic Literature: The Book of Haggai* (58.42%) and *The Book of Isaiah* (36.08%).

Divinity Paper two (114/2) consisted of seven (7) questions set from different books or topics. The analysis indicates that the general performance for the paper was good because the percentage of the candidates who scored 35 percent or above was 69.74. The topic with the highest performance was *The Gospel of Luke*, which had 85.79 percent of the candidates scored 35 percent or above. This was followed by *The Gospel of Mark* (85.61%), *The Gospel of Matthew* (69.12%) and *The Book of the Acts of the Apostles* (62.21%). Average performance was observed in *The Letter of Paul to the Galatians* (59.75%), *The Gospel of John* (46.56%) and *The First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians* (53.12%). This analysis is summarized in Appendix I.

There was great improvement in the performance of candidates especially in *The Gospel of Mark*, whose performance was weak in two consecutive years (2017 and 2018) but good in 2019. The average percentage of the candidates

scored average and above was 26.00 in 2017 and 24.80 in 2018; but 85.61 in 2019. This is a noteworthy improvement.

By comparison, there is a notable improvement of the general performance of the candidates in ACSEE 2019, that is to say, in ACSEE 2018, there were three topics/books whose performance was weak, but in ACSEE 2019 there was no weak performance. Moreover, the average percentage of candidates who scored 35% and above was 61.90 percent in 2018, indicating good performance, whereas in ACSEE 2019 it was 69.82 percent indicating good performance. Thus, the 2019 performance was 7.92 percent higher than that of 2018.

The Book of Isaiah had 46.50 percent of the candidates who scored 35% and above in 2018 while it had 36.38 percent in 2019. Therefore, the candidates' performance in the topic in 2019 was 9.42 percent lower than that of 2018. Furthermore, *The Gospel of John* had 57.00 percent of the candidates who scored 35% and above in 2018 and 46.56 percent in 2019. Thus, the performance in this topic was 10.44 percent lower in 2019 compared to 2018. This is summarized in Appendix II.

5.0 CONCLUSION

The general performance of the candidates in Divinity subject, in the ACSEE 2019, was good as 69.74 percent of them scored 35 percent or above. Most of them performed well because they were able to identify and adhere to the requirements of the questions, and had adequate knowledge and skills in various topics. They were also able to explain and elaborate their points using appropriate biblical language.

Despite the strengths shown by most candidates, there were also weaknesses that other candidates had in answering the questions. In 114/1, the candidates encountered problems in answering question 6 from the topic of *The Book of Isaiah* in which only 2.53 percent scored high marks while 63.92 percent failed. In 114/2, question 7 from *The First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians* had 15.65 percent who scored high marks and 46.88 failed; and question 4 from *The Gospel of John* which had 19.95 percent who scored high marks and 53.44 percent failed. It has been noted that most of the candidates who performed poorly failed to understand the requirements

of the questions and had inadequate knowledge of the topics. They also lacked English language proficiency/fluency which resulted into failure to providing good explanations.

Divinity is an important subject in shaping moral and ethical conduct, preparing youths to become good and trustworthy citizens/leaders. The usefulness of the subject in day to day life is inevitable. Therefore, teachers and other education stakeholders, such as parents and guardians, clergy, theologians and the laypeople from various Christian communities should take necessary measures in order to improve the candidates' performance in this subject.

6.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

In order to improve the performance of the future candidates, it is recommended that:

- (a) Teachers should adhere to the teaching/learning strategies emphasised in the syllabus for better students' achievement in the given topics. Attention is needed to remedy the performance in all topics which were averagely performed. The topics with constant average performance observed in two consecutive years 2018 and 2019 (the *Prophetic Book of Isaiah* and *The Gospel of John*) should be given first priority.
- (b) During the teaching and learning process, teachers and students should identify difficulty areas in the syllabus, and put more effort through exercises, tests and necessary revision.
- (c) Teachers should involve students in activities, such as group discussion, debate and role playing; and emphasizing on the practice of English language during communication. Likewise, students should set time to practice English language skills by writing and reading, listening and speaking. This will help them improve their English language writing skills, as a contributing factor to either good or weak performance of the candidates.

- (d) Students should be encouraged to read the Bible related literatures and make necessary revision in various topics, biblical texts, concepts, themes and events covered in classrooms
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- (f) Candidates should read the examination questions carefully so as to be able to understand and adhere to the requirements of the questions Appendix I

A Summary of Candidates' Performance per Topic

S/N	Торіс	Number of Questions	Question Number	Percentage of Candidates Who Scored 35% or Above	Remarks
1.	Faith and Teachings: Prophecy and Prophets	1	5	97.48	Good
2.	Prophetic Literature: The Book of Amos	1	8	96.66	Good
3.	The Book of Judges	1	3	88.68	Good
4.	The Gospel of Luke	1	3	85.79	Good
5.	The Gospel of Mark	1	2	85.61	Good
6.	Prophetic Literature: The Book of Jeremiah	1	7	84.34	Good
7.	The Gospels of Matthew	1	1	69.12	Good
8.	The Earlier Prophets: The Prophetic Mission of Elijah and Elisha	1	1	63.50	Good
9.	The Book of the Acts of the Apostles	1	5	62.21	Good
10.	Establishment of Monarchy in Israel	1	2	59.92	Average
11.	The Letter of St. Paul to the Galatians	1	6	59.75	Average
12.	Prophetic Literature: The Book of Haggai	1	4	58.42	Average
13.	The First Letter to the Corinthians	1	7	53.12	Average
14.	The Gospel of John	1	4	46.56	Average
15.	Prophetic Literature: The Book of Isaiah	1	6	36.08	Average
GENERAL PERFORMANCE		TOTAL		1047.24	
		AVERAGE (%)		69.82	GOOD

Appendix II Comparison Summary of Candidates' Performance per Topic/Sub-Topic for ACSEE 2018 and 2019

			ACSEE 2018			ACSEE 2019	
S/N	Торіс	Number of Questions	Percentage of Candidates Who Scored 35% or Above	Remarks	Number of Questions	Percentage of Candidates Who Scored 35% or Above	Remarks
1.	Prophecy and Prophets	1	97.80	Good	1	97.48	Good
2.	Prophetic Literature: The Book of Amos	1	90.90	Good	2	96.66	Good
3.	The Book of Judges	-	-	-	1	88.68	Good
4.	The Gospel of Luke	1	74.90	Good	1	85.79	Good
5.	The Gospel of Mark	1	24.80	Weak	1	85.61	Good
6.	Prophetic Literature: The Book of Jeremiah	1	61.80	Good	1	84.34	Good
7.	The Gospels of Matthew	1	33.10	Weak	1	69.12	Good
8.	The Earlier Prophets: The Prophetic Mission of Elijah and Elisha	-	-	-	1	63.50	Good
9.	The Book of the Acts of the Apostles	1	66.20	Good	1	62.21	Good
10.	Establishment of Monarchy in Israel	2	92.60	Good	1	59.92	Average
11.	Prophetic Literature: The Book of Haggai	1	87.60	Good	1	58.42	Average
12.	The Letter of St. Paul to the Galatians	-	-	-	1	59.75	Average
13.	The First Letter to the Corinthians	-	-	-	-	53.12	Average
14.	The Gospel of John	1	57.00	Average	1	46.56	Average
15.	Prophetic Literature: The Book of Isaiah	1	46.50	Average	1	36.08	Average
16.	The First Letter to the Thessalonians	1	62.10	Good	ı	-	-
17.	Prophetic Literature: The Book of Ezekiel	1	40.00	Average	1	-	-
18.	The Letter of Paul to the Romans	1	31.10	Weak	-	-	-
GENERAL PERFORMANCE		Total	866.4	-	-	1047.24	-
		Average	61.90	Good	-	69.82	Good

