

**SECTION 3 (80 marks)**Answer **ONE** question**8. Stock Valuation and Flexible Budgeting****(a) Stock Valuation**

Jones Ltd is a retail store that buys and sells one product. The following information relates to the purchases and sales of the firm for the year 2014.

| Period                  | Purchases on credit | Credit Sales     | Cash Sales       |
|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 01/01/2014 – 31/03/2014 | 4,500 @ €6 each     | 1,200 @ €10 each | 1,100 @ €11 each |
| 01/04/2014 – 30/06/2014 | 2,400 @ €7 each     | 2,200 @ €11 each | 1,400 @ €12 each |
| 01/07/2014 – 30/09/2014 | 1,400 @ €6 each     | 1,400 @ €10 each | 1,600 @ €13 each |
| 01/10/2014 – 31/12/2014 | 2,600 @ €8 each     | 1,600 @ €11 each | 1,100 @ €13 each |

On 01/01/2014 there was an opening stock of 5,200 units @ €6 each.

**Required:**

- (i) Calculate the value of closing stock using 'First in/First out' (FIFO) method.
- (ii) Prepare a trading account for the year ending 31/12/2014.
- (iii) Outline the implications of an incorrect stock valuation.

- (b)** Boland Ltd manufactures a single component for the aviation industry. The following production costs and output levels have been recorded during July, August and September 2014:

| Output Levels           | 70%            | 85%            | 95%              |
|-------------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| Units                   | 21,000         | 25,500         | 28,500           |
| <b>Costs</b>            | <b>€</b>       | <b>€</b>       | <b>€</b>         |
| Direct materials        | 315,000        | 382,500        | 427,500          |
| Direct Labour           | 231,000        | 280,500        | 313,500          |
| Production Overheads    | 106,800        | 126,960        | 140,400          |
| Other overhead costs    | 71,800         | 86,200         | 95,800           |
| Administration expenses | 35,000         | 35,000         | 35,000           |
|                         | <u>759,600</u> | <u>911,160</u> | <u>1,012,200</u> |

Profit is budgeted to be 20% of sales.

**Required:**

- (i) Separate **production overheads** and **other overheads** into fixed and variable elements.
- (ii) Prepare a Flexible Budget for 90% Activity Level using Marginal Costing principles and show the contribution.
- (iii) Explain, with examples, 'controllable' and 'uncontrollable' costs.

**(80 marks)**