

ASSIGNMENT 6: ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT (ELECTIVE)**DUE DATE: 07 OCTOBER 2013****Question 1****(60)**

ISO14001, the official standard of an Environmental Management System, is currently operational in more than 50 000 organisations with certifications increasing at a rate of 20% since 1998. This demand for certification can be attributed to management's satisfaction of this standard and EMS as a whole in terms of the structured framework for identification, evaluation, management and overall improvement of environmental performance.

In the light of the above choose an organization that is 14001 certified and analyse, critically, the various aspects that characterize the 14001 environmental framework within that organization.

Question 2**(40)**

Natural resource degradation in South Africa have, in some instances, reached unprecedented levels despite having environmental legislation that is comparable to the best in the world.

Identify one such natural resource (preferably a life sustaining one – soil, water, atmosphere etc) that is experiencing significant degradation and propose measures, within the context of environmental legislation, to alleviate the problem.

Assignment Guidelines/Format

- **Question 1:** Word limit: Not exceeding 4000 words.
- **Question 2:** Word limit: Not exceeding 2500 words.
- Your assignment should include a Table of Contents page.
- Text: Font: Arial or Times New Roman (12), Spacing: 1½ lines
- All text must be justified at each margin.
- Your answers must include any theories, charts, tables, appendices or exhibits necessary to support your analysis and recommendations.
- References - At least 4 sources of reference (textbooks, journals, press reports, internet, etc) must be included in your list of references.
- The Harvard system of referencing must be used.
- You **MUST** use theory/literature to support your discussion/observation and opinions. Do not merely extract information from the Case Study.
- Ensure that readings are not merely reproduced in the assignment without original critical comments and views.