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FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER

PROGRAMME: BSc. in Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness
Management Year IV
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COURSE CODE: AEM 409

TITLE OF PAPER: AGRICULTURAL AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

TIME ALLOWED: 2:00 HOURS

INSTRUCTION: ANSWER ANY FOUR QUESTIONS

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Question 1 [25 marks]

Compare and contrast the Rosenstein-Rodan's Theory of the Big Push and the Leibenstein's Critical Minimum Effort Thesis. Which one is more relevant to Swaziland?

Question 2 [25 marks]

Using *illuminating* examples, explain how the modernization theory is an illusion for developing countries.

Question 3 [25 marks]

Development is both a cause and a consequence of change. Discuss this proposition in the context of rural Swaziland.

Question 4 [25 marks]

Explain why agriculture is considered an engine for rural growth. What policy measures would best augment agricultural and rural development for a developing country like Swaziland?

Question 5 [25 marks]

- a) Explain why planners prefer a composite Index of rural development. (10 marks).
- b) Discuss the basic elements of rural development. (15 marks).

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