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SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION QUESTION PAPER, JULY 2011

TITLE OF PAPER

CURRICULUM STUDIES - RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

COURSE CODE

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TIME ALLOWED

TWO (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. ANSWER THREE (3) QUESTIONS.
- 2. EACH QUESTION CARRIES TWENTY-FIVE [25] MARKS.
- 3. ASSESSMENT OF THIS EXAMINATION SHALL TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION, AMONG OTHER FACTORS, THE CORRECT USAGE OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE, THE QUALITY OF EXPRESSION AS WELL AS THE PRESENTATION OF ANSWERS.
- 4. INDICATE ON YOUR ANSWER BOOKLET WHETHER YOU ARE FULL TIME (F/T) OR NOT (I.D.E.). APPEND THE APPROPRIATE INITIALS F.T. OR I.D.E. TO YOUR I.D.

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QUESTION 1

Critically evaluate four arguments that are often used by religious education advocates to justify the inclusion of religious education in the school curriculum.

[25 marks]

QUESTION 2

Some religious and political leaders often claim that Swaziland is a Christian country.

- (a) How valid is this claim? Give arguments to support or refute this claim. [20 marks]
- (b) In view of the claim above, why have other religious been included in the religious education curriculum?

[5 marks]

QUESTION 3

It is often claimed that "teaching is not telling".

(a) If this is true, suggest four reasons that explain why teachers continue to do so in Religious Education.

[25 marks]

QUESTION 4

"If I hear, I forget. If I see, I remember. If I do, I know."

a. Critically evaluate these views with reference to the teaching and learning process.

[18 marks]

b. What should a teacher consider when preparing teaching aids such as maps and charts for classroom use? [7 marks]

QUESTION 5

- a. Evaluate two factors that explain why religious education as a school subject is lowly rated.

 [10 marks]
- b. Suggest three techniques that could be used by a school principal to promote religious education instruction in a school. [15 marks]