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TITLE OF PAPER : ECONOMIC HISTORY OF WEST AFRICA

COURSE CODE : H302/IDE H302

TIME ALLOWED : THREE (3) HOURS

- INSTRUCTIONS :**
- 1. ANSWER FOUR (4) QUESTIONS, CHOOSING AT LEAST ONE (1) FROM EACH SECTION.**
 - 2. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS**

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SECTION A

Question 1

Discuss the different methods of agricultural production used by societies in early pre-colonial West Africa

Question 2

What factors facilitated the development and growth of the Trans-Saharan trade?

Question 3

Critically analyze the strategies used by Britain in her campaign to end the slave trade during the first half of the 19th century.

Question 4

Describe the impact of legitimate trade on West African societies in the late 19th century.

SECTION B

Question 5

Do you subscribe to the view that colonial economic policies in West Africa between 1900 and 1960 led to regional underdevelopment and dependency on European capitalism?

Question 6

With reference to colonial land policy, explain the absence of large scale European owned farms in colonial West Africa?

Question 7

With reference to the marketing of cocoa in the Gold Coast and Nigeria, explain the cocoa hold-ups of the 1930s

Question 8

Analyze the different strategies adopted by independent West African states to achieve economic and social development.

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