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COURSE NAME : HISTORY OF SWAZILAND

COURSE CODE : H211

TIME ALLOWED : 2 HRS

**INSTRUCTIONS : 1. CHOOSE AND ANSWER TWO (2) QUESTIONS
2. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS**

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QUESTION 1

"The *Madlathule* famine was one of the challenges faced by the Ngwane during the reign of Ndvungunye." State the other challenges the Ngwane faced during the early stages of the reign of Sobhuza 1 and explain the strategies he used in dealing with these challenges.

Question 2

"While Sobhuza I and some of the Ngwane were fleeing northwards, a majority of the Ngwane remained at Shiselweni under the custody of the Mamba led by Maloyi." Give a detailed analysis of the events that transpired in the South until the return of Sobhuza 1 from the north. How did Sobhuza I show his gratitude to the Mamba?

QUESTION 3

"Internal disputes were to blame for the near destruction of the Swazi State during the reign of Mswati II." How far do you agree with this statement?

QUESTION 4

Analyse the manner by which concessions were acquired by the whites in Swaziland. What drove Mbandzeni to later grant a Royal Charter to these white settlers?

QUESTION 5

Compare and contrast the regency of Tsandzile with that of Labotsibeni. Which of the two Queen Mothers do you think worked the most to preserve the integrity of the Swazi Nation? Give reasons for your answer.