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TITLE OF PAPER : EARLY EAST AFRICAN HISTORY TO COLONIALISM

COURSE CODE : H416/IDE H416

TIME ALLOWED : TWO (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS :

- 1. ANSWER ANY TWO (2) QUESTIONS**
- 2. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS**

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Question 1

Describe the extent to which geography and economy influenced the settlement patterns and distribution of Early East African societies. **[25 marks]**

Question 2

Describe the organizational structure of East African societies in early historical times. Why did it become increasingly difficult to use linguistic distinction as a feature of identification in some parts of East Africa? **[25 marks]**

Question 3

Outline the strategies used by the Portuguese to dominate the affairs of East African coastal societies between the 16th and late 18th centuries. **[25 marks]**

Question 4

Discuss the factors that prompted Arab expansion from the East African coast to the interior in the early 19th century. **[25 marks]**

Question 5

Discuss the factors that attracted British settlers to Kenya in the 19th century. **[25 marks]**