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FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER, DECEMBER 2016

TITLE OF PAPER: ECONOMY AND SOCIETY IN SOUTHERN AFRICA TO THE SOUTH AFRICAN WAR

COURSE CODE: H411/ IDE H411

TIME ALLOWED: TWO (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: 1. ANSWER TWO QUESTIONS.  
2. EACH QUESTION CARRIES FIFTY MARKS.

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1. "Division of labour in pre- capitalist agriculture was based on sex and not on gender." How accurate is this opinion of pre- capitalist economies in Southern Africa? Support your response with various scholars' views.
2. Discuss the importance of slaves in South Africa's economy between 1652 and 1833.
3. Analyse the strengths and weaknesses of Julian Cobbing's (1980) explanation of the causes of Mfecane.
4. EITHER (a) Account for the changes in the development of the gold mining industry between 1886 and 1900.  
  
OR (b) "A Mineral Revolution". Discuss with reference to the economic and social impact of the mining industry between 1867 and 1900.
5. To what extent did the Uitlander problem facilitate the outbreak of the South African War (1899- 1902)?

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