UNIVERSITY OF ESWATINI FACULTY OF HUMANITIES

DEPARTMENT OF JOURNALISM AND MASS COMMUNICATION 2019/2020 EXAMINATION QUESTION PAPER: RESIT

TITLE OF PAPER: NEWS WRITING

COURSE CODE: JMC 221

TIME ALLOWED: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer THREE (3) Questions.

Question One is compulsory.

Answer at least one question from each section.

Use your own examples to illustrate answers.

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SECTION A

QUESTION 1 (Compulsory)

What are the processes involved in preparing for an interview with a newsmaker?

(20 Marks)

QUESTION 2

In broadcast news writing, the tenses used mostly differ from those used in Print. Which tenses are preferable and why? Discuss using examples.

(20 Marks)

QUESTION 3

Choose a subject and describe what steps you would follow to write a good News story for your campus radio station.

(20 Marks)

SECTION B

QUESTION 4

Explain the sources you would need for the following stories. Justify your selection.

- a) A strike by Eswatini Royal Insurance Corporation Employees
- b) The death of a recruit at Mbuluzi Army Barracks
- c) Eswatini Broadcasting Bill
- d) Company A depositing toxic waste in the Lusushwana River in Matsapha
- e) His Majesty King Mswati III's USD 6 million donation to Global Fund

(20 Marks)

QUESTION 5

Use the attached press release, write a newspaper story.

(20 Marks)

GOVERNMENT PRESS STATEMENT

NO: 28/2019

Eswatini Pledge to the Global Fund

Following a pledge of \$6million dollars made by the Kingdom of Eswatini to the Global Fund, Government wishes to state the following;

1. It is important to note that this is a pledge. No money has yet been released by the Government to the Global Fund. The eventual release of funds will cover a three year period.

2. This pledge is an investment in our citizens' health and a commitment of solidarity to a noble cause with the global community.

- 3. To-date the Global Fund has disbursed to the Kingdom of Eswatini US\$265,893,078 to implement activities under the AIDS, Tuberculosis, Malaria and Health Systems Strengthening Programs.
- 4. Currently Eswatini is implementing HIV/AIDS, TB and Malaria activities that are supported by Global Fund to the tune of \$51million for a period of 3 years, 2018-2021.
- 5. A new phase of funding is expected to start in 2022 where Eswatini stands to receive more money from the Global Fund in accordance to a submitted proposal.
- 6. The pledge by Eswatini is an investment and a way of building sustainability of health programmes in the country.

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Government Spokesman

11 October 2019

GLOBAL FUND IMPACT IN ESWATINI

- The Kingdom of Eswatini has signed a total of 14 grants with the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, TB and Malaria (GFATM) accelerate local programs aimed at ending AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria epidemics;
- Since signing the first grants in 2003, to-date the Global Fund Eswatini has disbursed to the Kingdom of Eswatini US\$265,893,078 to implement activities under the AIDS, Tuberculosis, Malaria and Health Systems Strengthening Programs.
- The cumulative disbursement split for the 3 diseases, including Health Systems strengthening is as follows:
 - a. HIV/AIDS US\$192,644,814
 - b. TB/HIV US\$ 16,347,645
 - c. Tuberculosis US\$ 35,593,268
 - d. Malaria US\$ 13,094,389
 - e. Health Systems Strengthening US\$ 8,212,962