# **UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND**

# DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY, ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE AND PLANNING

## SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION

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TITLE OF PAPER

Physical Resources

COURSE NUMBER

**GEP 216** 

TIME ALLOWED

: 3 hours

INSTRUCTIONS

SECTION A IS COMPULSORY

**ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS** 

FROM SECTION B

**ILLUSTRATE YOURS ANSWERS** 

APPROPRIATE DIAGRAMS

MARKS ALLOCATED

**QUESTION 1 CARRIES 40 MARKS** 

THE OTHER QUESTIONS CARRY

30 MARKS EACH

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## **SECTION A: COMPULSORY QUESTION**

Discuss how physical resources of Swaziland have contributed to the economic growth of the country in the following sectors:

(i) In the mining industry (14 marks)
(ii) In national parks and game reserves (13 marks)
(iii) In ground water management (13 marks)
(40 marks)

#### **SECTION B: ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS**

#### **QUESTION 2:**

Using examples describe sedimentary, igneous and metamorphic rocks that yield specific physical resources. (30 marks)

#### **QUESTION 3:**

- (i) Describe the dangers of greenhouse gases. (15 marks)
- (ii) Discuss tasks that are in your view necessary to reduce their further worldwide increase. (15 marks)

(30 marks)

## **QUESTION 4:**

- (i) Using examples identify lakes in East Africa that are characterized by an abnormally high salinity and alkalinity. (10 marks)
- (ii) Explain why this specific composition exists. (10 marks)

(iii) Discuss under which conditions these lakes were formed. (10 marks)
(30 marks)

# **QUESTION 5:**

Highveld and Lowveld in Swaziland. Outline the weathering and erosion events that are typical for each of these geomorphological units. (30 marks)