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TITLE OF PAPER

ADMINISTRATION OF RURAL

DEVELOPMENT

COURSE CODE

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TIME ALLOWED

THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

1. ANSWER FOUR (4) QUESTIONS. TWO

(2) FROM EACH SECTION.

2. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL

MARKS OF 25.

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SECTION A

QUESTION 1

Rural development has assumed unparalleled significance in the development policies and strategies of African countries. Discuss.

QUESTION 2

Discuss the key features of the definition of poverty based on relative deprivation and comment on its theoretical weaknesses.

QUESTION 3

The slave trade was not without serious consequences for the African continent in general and those African countries that were affected in particular. Discuss.

QUESTION 4

The international economy is characterized by two kinds of world agriculture. Discuss.

SECTION B

QUESTION 5

In the development literature, there are those who subscribe to the view that one of the major obstacles to rural development in the Third World is the so-called 'peasant problem'. Discuss.

QUESTION 6

Discuss the nature and extent of poverty in Swaziland and suggest measures for poverty alleviation in the kingdom.

QUESTION 7

Discuss the role of women in rural development in Swaziland and comment on the problems and challenges they face in making a notable contribution towards the development process in general.

QUESTION 8

Critically examine the successes and failures of the Rural Development Areas Programme (RDAP) in Swaziland.