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- 1. Discuss reasons and justifications that have been advanced for the establishment of public enterprises in Africa. (25 Marks)
- 2. African countries have pursued different organisational types of public enterprises. Discuss the most common ones. (25 Marks)
- 3. Governments can control and monitor the operations of public enterprises in various ways. Discuss any two methods. (25 Marks)
- 4. Balancing the control and monitoring of public enterprises is a precarious exercise for governments. Discuss any three methods through which this balance can be achieved. (25 Marks)
- 5. The generally poor performance of public enterprises in Africa has been attributed to a number of factors. Discuss the 'Human resource/personnel' challenge. (25 Marks)
- 6. There are three main categories of reforms necessary to ensure the improvement of performance of African public enterprises. Discuss the 'management reforms' category. (25 Marks)
- 7. Privatisation of public enterprises is one of the ways through which poor performance has been addressed. Define the concept of privatisation and explain any three methods through which privatisation of public enterprises can be achieved. (25 Marks)
- 8. Programmes to privatise public enterprises in Africa have been fraught with a number of challenges. Discuss the challenges associated with 'programme implementation. (25 Marks)