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TITLE OF PAPER : PUBLIC POLICY ANALYSIS: YEAR III

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PA308

TIME ALLOWED :

TWO (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTION :

1. ANSWER ANY TWO (2) QUESTIONS.

2. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS.

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QUESTION 1

Examine the definition and meaning of the term 'public policy' as formulated by Thomas Dye, including its strengths and weaknesses.

QUESTION 2

According to Woodrow Wilson, the dichotomy between policy formulation and policy execution or implementation corresponds to the distinction and or separation between politics and administration. Discuss.

QUESTION 3

Discuss the main features of the systems approach to policy analysis and comment on its strengths and weaknesses.

OUESTION 4

The cultural norms, values and attitudes held by a society are of fundamental importance when their preferences and needs are determined. Analyse this view with particular reference to Swazi society and the impact that tradition and custom have on public policy in Swaziland.