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TITLE OF PAPER: COMPARATIVE POLITICS

COURSE CODE: PA 302

TIME ALLOWED: THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER FOUR (4) QUESTIONS, TWO
(2) FROM EACH SECTION.

ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS OF
TWENTY FIVE (25) EACH

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SECTION A

ANSWER TWO (2) QUESTIONS:

Question 1

Prior to its declining popularity, why was the behaviouralist method regarded as a major breakthrough in comparative politics?

Question 2

Where is power located in both the pluralist and corporatist societies?

Question 3

Define and critically analyze the strengths and limitations of the socio-economic model in contemporary society.

Question 4

"The limitations of the totalitarian model have become self-evident in the modern political system". Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer.

SECTION B

ANSWER TWO (2) QUESTIONS:

Question 5

Discuss the similarities and differences between the way in which China and India have addressed the key challenges that face them.

Question 6

"The recent economic crisis in the USA revealed certain fundamental limitations about the free market principles upon which its economy is based". Critically discuss.

Question 7

What are the similarities and differences between China and Russia's reforms in the last two decades?

Question 8

Despite its economic successes, China's relationship with other developing countries has become a subject of much controversy. Critically discuss.