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FINAL EXAMINATION 2016**

TITLE OF PAPER:	ADMINISTRATION OF PUBLIC ENTERPRISES
COURSE CODE:	PA 307
TIME ALLOWED:	THREE (3) HOURS
INSTRUCTIONS:	ANSWER ANY FOUR (4) QUESTIONS

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QUESTIONS

1. 'Defining public enterprises as entities in which the government has majority shareholding is not adequate.' Discuss the preceding statement and propose a more comprehensive definition. (25 Marks).
2. Discuss the 'unique' environments of public enterprises in developing countries that are said to be different from the Western environments (25 Marks).
3. Discuss the role of any two of the following institutions in the control and monitoring of public enterprises:
 - a) Legislature
 - b) Treasury/Ministry of Finance
 - c) Specialised Public Enterprise Bodies (25 Marks)
4. Discuss any three (3) measures that can be taken to balance the control and autonomy of public enterprises (25 Marks).
5. Discuss why/how commercial measures of effectiveness are insufficient for measuring the effectiveness of public enterprises. Discuss also why/how management audits can be seen as an alternative to the weaknesses of commercial measures.
(25 Marks)
6. It has been argued that the policy framework within which public enterprises exist in Africa needs critical overhaul in order to realise improvement in the performance of public enterprises. Discuss. (25 Marks)
7. 'Broadening ownership' and 'reduction of fiscal burden' have been the major reasons for the privatisation of public enterprises in Africa. Discuss. (25 Marks)
8. There are various challenges that emanate from privatisation of public enterprises in Africa. Discuss the challenges related to the program implementation. (25 Marks)