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2021/2022 ACADEMIC YEAR
SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS & ECONOMICS
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ECONOMICS

COURSE CODE: ECO 2105-1

COURSE TITLE: RURAL DEVELOPMENT

DATE: 31ST MARCH, 2022

TIME: 0830-1030

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. Answer Question **ONE** and any other **TWO** questions

*This paper consists of **three** printed pages. Please turn over.*

QUESTION ONE

- a) Discuss the various themes and issues handled through rural development planning strategies that have been undertaken in Kenya. **(6 Marks)**
- b) Economic development is a dynamic process which is concerned with improvement of human life. Explain the core values of economic development as discussed by Todaro. **(3 Marks)**
- c) Discuss the theory of social dualism. **(7 Marks)**
- d) Differentiate between rural development project and rural development program. **(4 Marks)**

QUESTION TWO

- a) Case studies show that the poor rural people are usually tough, hardworking, ingenious and resilient. However, they struggle with five interlocking disadvantages which trap them into deprivation. Provide an exhaustive discussion of the cluster of disadvantage. **(10 Marks)**
- b) One of the ways of analyzing rural deprivation is identifying causes and constraints. Explain the weaknesses of this approach. **(5 Marks)**

QUESTION THREE

- a) "Economic growth is not economic development." Discuss **(8 Marks)**
- b) Many biases exist which tend to interfere with outsiders' contact with rural poverty in general and with deepest poverty in particular. Explain the most outstanding set of biases. **(7 Marks)**

QUESTION FOUR

- a) Discuss the four approaches to rural development in Kenya. **(8 Marks)**
- b) Explain the factors which may impact on county development fund outcomes as a community drive initiative. **(7 Marks)**

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