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KIRIRI WOMEN'S UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION, 2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR
FIRST YEAR, FOURTH SEMESTER EXAMINATION
FOR THE DIPLOMA IN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND SOCIAL WORK
DDS 406 – MANAGEMENT OF COMMUNITY CONCERNS

Date: 11TH December, 2023

Time: 11:30AM- 1:30PM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

ANSWER QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

A case study: The situation at the Greater Horn of Africa

Communities in the Greater Horn of Africa have, for more than a decade, been in the limelight as one of the regions in the world most hit by a multiplicity of humanitarian crises. Ranging from food insecurity, environmental degradation, human insecurity, and natural and manmade disasters to poor health, Poverty, illiteracy, and ignorance, as well as injurious retrogressive cultural practices, are synonymous with this region. In the region as a whole, more than 40 percent of people are undernourished, and in Eritrea and Somalia, the proportion rises to 70 percent (WFP & FAO, 2022). The seven countries of the region—Djibouti, Ethiopia, Eritrea, Kenya, Somalia, Sudan, and Uganda—have a combined population of 160 million people, 70 million of whom live in areas prone to extreme food shortages, according to FAO. Over the past 30 years, these countries, which are all members of the Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD), have been threatened by famine at least once in each decade. The planetary health in the region is not at ease. Ironically and paradoxically at once, the region bears the greatest blunt of the climate change-instigated planetary health crisis, its infinitesimal emissions to the environment notwithstanding. A myriad of other issues meeting the criteria for qualifying as community concerns also exist in this region.

- a) Illuminate on the concept of 'Community Concerns' (2 Marks)
- b) Suggest FOUR causative agents of illiteracy and ignorance among the citizenry of the IGAD member states (4 Marks)
- c) A myriad of other issues meeting the criteria for qualifying to be of community concerns do also exist in this region. Outline the criteria for identifying an issue of a concern to community (4 Marks)
- d) Highlight FIVE factors that the prevailing food insecurity situation in the region can be attributed to (5 Marks)
- e) Examine FOUR retrogressive cultural practices predominant among communities in the Horn of Africa that predispose community members to contracting HIV/AIDS (4 Marks)
- f) Outline FIVE strategies that environmental governance actors can institute to deal with the prevailing environmental degradation in the horn of Africa (5 Marks)
- g) Isolate THREE major threats to human security in the Horn of Africa and illustrate how the three have impacted development in the region (6 Marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Following the annunciation of possible Elnino disaster it is all systems go for emergency and disaster response organisations like Kenya Red Cross to trigger it disaster management systems. Describe the FOUR phases of disaster management (8 Marks)
- b) Poverty is basically the state where a number of poor people is by far more than that of the people who can afford a decent lifestyle. Analyse FOUR causes of poverty in sub-Saharan Africa (8 Marks)

- c) Highlight FOUR issues and trends of community concerns in modern Kenyan society (4 Marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Briefly describe the FIVE dimensions for determination of overall good health and wellness of humanity as was articulated by WHO in 1948.
- i) Physical (2 Marks)
 - ii) Intellectual (2 Marks)
 - iii) Emotional (2 Marks)
 - iv) Spiritual (2 Marks)
 - v) Social (2 Marks)
- b) In the last couple of decades, the battle against Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) has intensified in the African continent. Highlight THREE intervention measures applied against FGM Kenya (6 Marks)
- c) Distinguish these concept as they applied managing community concerns
- Chronic Poverty versus Hardcore Poverty (2 Marks)
 - Economic vulnerability versus Environmental vulnerability (2 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) One of the enemies of the African people as identified by the founding fathers of the nations is illiteracy and ignorance. Evaluate FOUR negative impacts of illiteracy and ignorance on community development in modern day African societies (8 Marks)
- b) Highlight the FOUR components of food security as defined by WHO (4 Marks)
- c) Analyse FOUR indicators of poor health in a community in a typical developing country (8 Marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) It has been said that one the ways of looking at how humanity has transgressed the planetary boundaries and the consequences of these transgression is in the lens of environmental degradation. Evaluate any FOUR ways in which environmental degravations has impacted development in low- and middle-income economies (8 Marks)
- b) Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) is said to be the total process of assessing the environmental effects of a development project. Outline FOUR importance of conducting EIA (4 Marks)
- c) Analyse FOUR impacts of disasters on community development (8 Marks)