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KIRIRI WOMENS' UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION, 2024/2025 ACADEMIC YEAR
THIRD YEAR, FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION
FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION(ARTS)
KHG 2303:PHILOSOPHY OF HISTORY

Date: 9th April 2024
Time: 8:30am-10.30am

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

ANSWER QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Discuss three reasons why the study of history is important in the contemporary world. (6 Marks)
- b) Examine the concept of history and Pre-History according to J.S.Mbiti. (6 Marks)
- c) Assess the concepts of Historical materialism and the idea of economic exploitation as espoused by Karl Marx. (8 Marks)
- d) Briefly discuss the following branches of Philosophy of History :
 - i. Speculative philosophy. (5 Marks)
 - ii. Analytical philosophy of History. (5 Marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS).

- a) Analyze the Pre-Classical ideas in History. (9 Marks)
- b) Explain the meaning of history according to Edward H.Carr. (8 Marks)
- c) What is history. (3 Marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Assess the Judeo-Christian view of History according to St. Augustine. (10 Marks)
- b) Examine the philosophy of History according to Arnold Toynbee. (10 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS).

- a) Critique the Philosophy of History according to Hegel. (10 Marks)
- b) Evaluate the philosophy of History according to Fukuyuma. (10 Marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS).

- a) By drawing illustrative examples, assess the main ideas underpinning Karl Marx. (10 Marks)
- b) Explain how J.S.Mbiti discuss the concept of time as Key in understanding of History (5 Marks)
- c) Demonstrate the hierarchy of beings according to J.S.Mbiti. (5 Marks)