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KIRIRI WOMEN'S UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION, 2024/2025 ACADEMIC YEAR
FIRST YEAR, FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION
FOR THE BACHELOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND SOCIAL WORK
KCD 2101: FUNDAMENTALS OF DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

Date: 17TH APRIL 2024

Time: 2:30PM-4:30PM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

ANSWER QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

Case study

Rural development

Muvuti village is one of locations which is located in the remote parts of Makueni County. Due to its strained proximity from the county headquarters in Wote town and lack of political good will, Muvuti location lacks basic social services like: clean water, reliable road network, electricity connectivity and mobile phone network. Other challenges experienced by residents on Muvuti village include: poor farming methods and lack of market for their farm produce.

The village has only one secondary school and two primary schools which are all in poor state and with dilapidated infrastructure. This physical state of the schools and other related factors have led to low education accessibility and low transition as well as poor performance for children in school. The general welfare of the residents on this village is poor in terms of health and education. Poor sanitation and lack of clean water has led to frequent diseases outbreak and the nearest health Centre is 20 km way.

Like many other locations in the neighborhood, Muvuti experiences low pace of social development which have adverse effects to the lives of the residents. The residents of Muvuti location through their local leaders have sent several delegations to the county and national government officials to request the two arms of the government to come up with several development programmes and strategies for betterment of their social welfare. Some of the practical strategies which could be employed by the two arms of the government include; the rural development approach and the need based approaches which have proved to be successful among other rural communities.

Required:

- (a) As a social development worker , examine factors which contribute to poor social welfare among the residents of Muvuti location. (7 Marks)
- (b) Based on the case study , discuss how low levels of social development affect the residents of Muvuti location. (8 Marks)
- (c) The residents of Muvuti location expect the government to employ strategies that impact positively to their lives. Propose some effective strategies towards this course. (7 Marks)
- (d) Rural development approach has been used by development partners and government on remote locations like Muvuti. Outline some advantage of this approach towards community based residents of Muvuti Location. (8 Marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- (a) The Kenyan constitution of 2010 provides for public participation before initiation and implementation of public projects. Discuss the advantages of public participation in national planning. (5 Marks)
- (b) Discuss some of the strategies the Kenyan government can apply towards employment creation. (5 Marks)
- (c) Outline the key objectives of the national budgetary or planning process. (5 Marks)
- (d) With a view of improving their operations, organizations in the 20th century have adopted the division of labour approach. Outline the advantages of division of labour within an organization. (5 Marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- (a) “No man is an island” Justify this statement in view of international trade among nations. (7 Marks)
- (b) Discuss on the role of community members in the economic planning process in a Kenya. (6 Marks)
- (c) Examine factors that determine fair resources allocation to the citizens in a Kenya. (7 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- (a) As a precondition for loans to the developing nations in Africa, the World Bank and IMF introduced the Structural Adjustment Programmes in early 1980s. Discuss the pros and cons of SAPS among African nations. (8 Marks)
- (b) Deliberate on the key functions of a budget towards national development. (6 Marks)
- (c) Discuss the pro and cons of globalization among developing nations. (6 Marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- (a) Justify why health and education are important drivers of human development. (5 Marks)
- (b) Outline the main reasons why members of the community join self-help groups. (5 Marks)
- (c) Discuss the major cause of debt crisis among the Less Developed Countries. (5 Marks)
- (d) Outline the challenges encountered by members of community in public participation. (5 Marks)