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KIRIRI WOMENS' UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION, 2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR
SECOND YEAR, FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION
FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
(BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION)

Date: 13th December, 2023
Time: 2.30pm –4.30pm

KLC 002 - DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

ANSWER QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

Case study

Public participation in the budgeting process

The community members of Tulimani ward in Machakos county are faced with many socio- economic challenges like food insecurity , poor infrastructure , harsh climatic conditions and lack of political good will. Among the community members , women and children are more affected by those challenges compared to other community members Justina Mbai is a first term Member of County Assembly for Tulimani Ward in Machakos County. Justina is committed in trying to make a positive change among her electorate especially on matters regarding the welfare of women and children. In the month of April 2023, Justina was actively involved in public participation meetings on the budget making process for the FY 23/24 for both the two levels of government; county and the national government. In one of the public participation meeting, members of public complained that they felt the public participation process is a good forum for them to air their views, however the process is faced with many challenges. Hon Justina assured the members of public that she will raise the matter in the assembly on how to improve the process to ensure “good budgets” at the county and national levels of government.

Based on the above case study, answer question one

- Examine the main function of budget in relation to the welfare of Tulimani members of public. (6 marks)
- Outline the various challenges impeding effective Tulimani members of public participation in the budgeting process. (6 marks)
- Discuss the role of Tulimani community members in the budgeting process. (6 marks)
- Suggest some possible ways that ensure that Tulimani members of the community participate effectively in the budgeting process. (6 marks)
- Examine some of the principle of Budget making process that Tulimani community members can adhere to in order to have good budget proposals. (6 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Examine the characteristics of underdeveloped countries. (5 marks)
- b) Discuss the major stages of the project management cycle. (5 marks)
- c) Justify why self-help groups are an integral part of community development. (10 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Justify why improved health care to citizens is an important aspect of national development (8 marks)
- b) Discuss the negative effects of structural adjustment programmes SAPs among nations in Africa (6 marks)
- c) Analyze the main reasons why nations embark on foreign trade amongst each other. (6 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Examine the essential pillars of human development. (6 marks)
- b) Explain various types and characteristics of community development projects. (6 marks)
- c) Discuss the factors leading to the debt crisis in Africa. (8 marks)

QUESTION FIVE(20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss the effects of poverty in our country Kenya (6 marks)
- b) Outline ways governments in Africa can use to create employment for the youth. (8 marks)
- c) Examine the relationship between education attainment and human development (6 marks)