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SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR BACHELOR

OF DEVELOPMENT STUDIES WITH IT

CDS 202 – COMPARATIVE SOCIAL STRUCTURES AND INSTITUTIONS

DURATION: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

1. Answer question ONE and any other two questions.
2. Mobile phones are not allowed in the examination room.
3. You are not allowed to write on this examination question paper.

SECTION A – ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- (a) Identify **FOUR** major social institutions and suggest how they contribute development in Kenya. (4 marks)
- (b) Explain **THREE** modes of production in development. (6 marks)
- (c) Critically analyse **THREE** specific issues in Rural development in Kenya. (6 marks)
- (d) The international Labour Organization (ILO) estimates that over 40 million people are in slavery. In view of this statement, Discuss **FOUR** forms of contemporary slavery in development. (6 marks)
- (e) Social innovation allows Non-Profit Organizations and other Social-Institutions to meet the needs of societies more effectively. In view of this statement, suggest **FOUR** contemporary social innovations in your community. (4 marks)
- (f) Describe **TWO** dimensions of social stratifications. (4 marks)

SECTION B – ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- (a) Discuss **THREE** stages in social construction of reality. (6 marks)
- (b) Highlight **FOUR** impacts of globalization in development. (4 marks)
- (c) Critically analyse **THREE** specific issues affecting urban centres growth and development in Kenya. (6 marks)
- (d) Social workers can apply systems theory by considering various factors shaping a client's experience and addressing issues that affect the society in general. In view of this statement, suggest **FOUR** models you can use in the application of System Theory in Development. (4 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Highlight **FOUR** urban development policies that the County Government of Nairobi would use to upgrade life of the most vulnerable in Kibra Slums. (4 marks)
- (b) Critically analyse **THREE** goals of social change in Development. (6 marks)
- (c) Identify **FOUR** dynamics of social institutions in sub-Saharan regions. (4 marks)
- (d) Discuss **THREE** factors that trigger change in the 21st century in society and development. (6 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- (a) Describe **FOUR** characteristics of Socialism economy. (4 marks)
- (b) Explain the **THREE** functions of societal institutions in sustainable development. (6 marks)
- (c) Critically analyse **THREE** progressive modes of production in Kenya. (6 marks)
- (d) Suggest **TWO** measures the government of Kenya can take to strengthen social structures in the contemporary society. (4 marks)