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SUPPLEMENTARY/RE-SIT EXAMINATION PAPER

PROGRAMME: BSc. in Agric. Economics and Agribusiness Management Year 4  
BSc. in Agricultural Extension & Education Year 4

COURSE CODE: AEM 408/409

TITLE OF PAPER: AGRICULTURAL AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

TIME ALLOWED: TWO (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTION: 1. ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS  
2. DO NOT WRITE ON THIS QUESTION PAPER  
3. ALL ANSWERS SHOULD BE WRITTEN IN THE BOOKLET PROVIDED

Question One

- a) Developing and low middle income countries are struggling to catch-up with developed countries and several development theories have been suggested to achieve this objective. Using the knowledge gained from the lectures, explain and critique the human capital development theory in the Eswatini current context.

(20 Marks)

- b) Development can be defined as a set of desirable societal objectives/goals or development index which do not decrease overtime. What are these societal goal/development index

(5 Marks)

Question Two

- a) The important elements of a pragmatic strategy for sustainable development in Eswatini include?

(10 Marks)

- b) Briefly identify the key issues related to subsistence agriculture and extensive cultivation in Africa, and what are the core requirements for a strategic agricultural and rural development in eSwatini?

(15 Marks)

Question Three

- a) Given that you are employed as an expert in rural development, identify and write brief notes on five factors that can be used to describe the size and structure of rural Economy in Eswatini

(25 Marks)

Question Four

- a) The rural sector in Eswatini has issues that distinguish it from the urban and semi-urban sector. With examples, outline these characteristics, and outline the roles of the rural agricultural sector in eSwatini's economy

(15 marks)

- b) There is a need for rural development policies especially related to agricultural and rural development. Identify five reasons why there is such a need.

(10 Marks)

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