# UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND

# INSTITUTE OF DISTANCE EDUCATION B. ED (ADULT EDUCATION) YEAR IV

FINAL EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2013

TITLE OF PAPER: LITERACY & DEVELOPMENT I

**COURSE CODE: IDE-BAE 420** 

TIME ALLOWED: THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: 1. ANSWER TWO (2) QUESTIONS FROM EACH

**SECTION** 

2. ALL QUESTIONS CARRYY EQUAL MARKS

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#### **SECTION A**

# **ANSWER ANY TWO (2) QUESTIONS**

## Question 1

- (a) Define literacy in its specific and its widest application
- (b) Who are the 'illiterates' in Swaziland?
- (c) Explain why it has been difficult to eradicate illiteracy in Swaziland

[25 marks]

### Question 2

- a) Explain why illiteracy is a world problem?
- b) Identify and explain the main factors which have contributed to the high illiteracy rate in the world. [25 marks]

### Question 3

Discuss the attributes of a literate person and the implications for development

[25 marks]

#### **SECTION B**

## **ANSWER ANY TWO (2) QUESTIONS**

#### **Question 4**

Discuss the contribution of literacy to development

[25 marks]

# **Question 5**

According to Schiaro-Comp and Singer (1975), the best known list of Least Developed Countries LDCs) were elaborated in 1957 by Harvey Leibenstein. These characteristics are classified into two (2) categories, economic and non-economic. List these economic and non-economic characteristics [25 marks]

### Question 6

It has been advocated that literacy plays a significant role in the social and political transformation of society. Discuss this statement, showing how this has or can be realised in Swaziland [25 marks]

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