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BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ADULT EDUCATION) YEAR IV MAIN EXAMINATION PAPER DECEMBER, 2014

TITLE OF PAPER:

HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT I

COURSE

IDE-BAE 427

TIME ALLOWED:

THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. ANSWER FOUR (4) QUESTIONS ONLY. ONE (1) FROM SECTION A AND THREE(3) FROM SECTION B.
- 2. ANSWERS SHOULD BE WRITTEN IN THE ANSWER BOOKLETS PROVIDED.
- 3. DO NOT WRITE ON THE QUESTION PAPER.

THIS PAPER IS NOT TO BE OPENED UNTIL PERMISSION HAS BEEN

SECTION A

QUESTION 1 [34 marks]

- (a) What is the rationale for HR planning and placement in organisations? [8 marks]
- (b) Identify and examine the relationship between (i) human resources and (ii) other organizational resources. [6 marks]
- (c) Examine the contribution of each of the six (6) components of the Human Resource Management Assessment Instrument in increasing the quality, efficiency, effectiveness and productivity of organizational resources: (i) HRD capacity (ii) HRD planning (iii) HRM data (iv) Personnel policy and practice (v) Performance management and (vi) Training and development. [18 marks]

SECTION B

QUESTION 2 [22 marks]

(a) Explain the genesis of the terms personnel, manpower, human resource, people, human capital, intellectual capital and their impact on HRM practices.

[1marks]

(b) Critique the performance of your organization in human resource (i) motivation and (ii) compensation. [11 marks]

QUESTION 3 [22 marks]

(a) Using your organisation as an example, analyze the link between the *internal* environment and external environment of organizations.

[11 marks]

(b) What are the implications to human resources management?

[11 marks]

QUESTION 4 [22 marks]

(a) What is the distinction between training and development in organization?

[10 marks]

(b) Critique the performance of your organization in the HRM function (in a above).

[12 marks]

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QUESTION 5 [22 marks]

- (a) Using your organization as and example, examine the human context of HRM and the work context of HRM. [10 marks]
- (b) How could you use the Porter and Lawler Model in human resource management? [12 marks]

QUESTION 6 [22 MARKS]

How could you use (i) McGregor's Theory X and Y and (ii) Schein' model of motivation in human resource management?

[22 marks]