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**TITLE OF PAPER: ECONOMIC HISTORY OF SOUTHERN AFRICA**

**COURSE CODE: H400**

**TIME ALLOWED: THREE (3) HOURS**

- INSTRUCTIONS:**
- 1. ANSWER FOUR (4) QUESTIONS;  
CHOOSING AT LEAST ONE (1) QUESTION  
FROM EACH SECTION.**
  - 2. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL  
MARKS**

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## **SECTION A**

### **QUESTION 1**

Why is the study of Southern African historiography important?

### **QUESTION 2**

Assess the views of Jeff Guy on the use of land and cattle in mobilising labour in pre – capitalist societies of Southern Africa.

### **QUESTION 3**

Would you agree with the views of Julian Cobbing on the Mfecane?

### **QUESTION 4**

What were the social, economic and political effects of the South African war of 1899 to 1902?

## **SECTION B**

### **QUESTION 5**

Critically discuss how far Southern Africa was incorporated into the capitalist world economy up the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century.

### **QUESTION 6**

How did the mineral revolution in Southern Africa create a regional economy?

### **QUESTION 7**

Examine the significance of railways in the Southern African regional economy.

### **QUESTION 8**

To what extent did labour contribute towards the decolonisation process in Southern Africa?