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TITLE OF PAPER : MEDIA AND HUMAN RIGHTS

EXAMINATION : 2017/2018 MAIN EXAM

DATE : MAY 2018

COURSE CODE : JMC 244

TIME ALLOWED : 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS : Write legibly

Poor spelling and grammar will be penalised

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SECTION A- QUESTION 1 IS COMPULSORY

1. The internet and associated technologies provides a space for those previously marginalised to have a voice and promote their rights. Discuss this statement with reference to examples from across the globe. **[20 marks]**

SECTION B- Answer any 2 questions

2. a) What does the Swazi constitution say about the rights of people living with disabilities? **[10marks]**
b) What role do Swazi media play in the promotion of the rights of people living with disabilities? **[10 marks]**

[Total: 20 marks]

3. The media has a huge role to play in the promotion of human rights.
a) Discuss what this role entails **[10 marks]**
b) Why do media fail to play this role? **[10 marks]**
4. Swaziland ratified a number of international statutes which protect the rights of various social groups in society.

Write notes on the following:

- a) The SADC Gender Protocol **[7 marks]**
b) International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights **[6 marks]**
c) UN Charter on Human Rights **[7 marks]**
- 5 How do Swazi media cover women's rights? Give specific examples to support your answer. **[20 marks]**
5. The media, it is argued, has an important role to play in protecting and promoting the rights of children. Using examples from local media, discuss this statement. **[20 marks]**

6. Identify a human rights issue and answer the following questions:

a) How did the media cover it (refer to both print and broadcast media)? **[10 marks]**

b) What could the media have done differently? **[10 marks]**