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FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER DECEMBER 2012

B.A. and B.ED (F/PT)

TITLE OF PAPER: SPATIAL ASPECTS OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

COURSE NUMBER: GEP 414

TIME ALLOWED: THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. ANSWER THREE (3) QUESTIONS**
- 2. QUESTION 1 IS COMPULSORY**
- 3. CHOOSE TWO (2) OTHER QUESTIONS FROM SECTION B.**
- 4. WHERE APPROPRIATE ILLUSTRATE YOUR ANSWERS WITH EXAMPLES**

ALLOCATION OF MARKS: QUESTION ONE (1) CARRIES 40 MARKS WHILE THE REST CARRY 30 MARKS EACH

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SECTION A: COMPULSORY

QUESTION 1

The Ministry of *Tinkhundla* and Administration in collaboration with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) has hired a team of consultants to assess different aspects of development in the rural areas of the country.

(a) Discuss the issues that should be addressed in their report. (20 marks)

(b) Suggest and justify strategies that should be proposed to address the issues in above.

(20 marks)

(40 Marks)

SECTION B: ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION 2

Discuss the key challenges facing the effectiveness of women in African agriculture. **(30 Marks)**

QUESTION 3

Discuss how Local Economic Development (LED) would contribute to rural development in the Lowveld of Swaziland. **(30 Marks)**

QUESTION 4

Describe the importance of the following in rural development:

(a) Land Reform (15 marks)

(b) Public participation (15 marks)

(30 Marks)

QUESTION 5

Discuss the Rural Development Areas (RDA) Programme implemented in Swaziland, highlighting its successes and failures.

(30 Marks)