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**MAIN EXAMINATION PAPER MAY 2015**

**B.A and B.Ed. (FT/PT)**

**TITLE OF PAPER : ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT**

**COURSE TITLE : GEP 431**

**TIME ALLOWED : THREE HOURS**

**INSTRUCTIONS : 1. ANSWER THREE (3) QUESTIONS.**  
**2. QUESTION 1 IS COMPULSORY.**  
**ANSWER ANY TWO (2) QUESTIONS FROM**  
**SECTION B.**  
**3. WHERE APPROPRIATE, ILLUSTRATE YOUR**  
**ANSWER WITH DIAGRAMS.**

**MARK ALLOCATION : QUESTION ONE (1) CARRIES 40 MARKS THE**  
**REST OF THE QUESTIONS CARRY 30 MARKS.**

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**GEP 431 ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT (FT/PT)**

**SECTION A: COMPULSORY QUESTION**

**QUESTION 1**

- a) Explain what is meant by the 'livelihoods framework.' ( 5 marks)
- b) Discuss why the concept of 'sustainable livelihoods' is important in the development debate. ( 10 marks)
- c) Using examples, explain why livelihood resources, institutional processes and livelihood strategies are critical in enabling or constraining the achievement of sustainable livelihoods of the rural poor. (25 marks)
- [40 MARKS]**

**SECTION B: ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS**

**QUESTION 2**

- a) Discuss how the emerging infectious diseases in Africa are impacting development efforts. (10 marks)
- b) Using examples, discuss the burden of malaria on health in Africa by focusing on
- (i) The rural poor (10 marks)
- (ii) The health systems ( 10 marks)
- [30 MARKS]**

**QUESTION 3**

'Effective governance provides the rules and institutions that make economic and social development possible and is also a process which makes individuals feel they are part of a community, a nation-state and the wider global community.'

Discuss the validity of this statement.

**[30 MARKS]**

**QUESTION 4**

- a) Explain why researchers and development agencies have been challenged to come up with frameworks to measure 'sustainable development.' ( 10 marks)
- b) Identify and discuss key dimensions of sustainable development that have been advanced by any scholar or development agency. ( 20 marks)

**[30 MARKS]**

**QUESTION 5**

- a) Describe the key features of the urban landscape of any Southern African country of your choice. ( 10 marks)
- b) Identify and discuss the solutions the chosen country has adopted to address the problems of urbanization.  
  
(10 marks)
- c) Evaluate the viability of the adopted strategies in light of the principles of urban management. ( 10 marks)

**[30 MARKS]**