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FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER DECEMBER 2015

B.A. (HUMS) and B. Ed (P/T)

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

Identify and discuss the rural development strategies employed in the development of rural Swaziland.

(40 Marks)

SECTION B: ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION 2

Discuss the importance of rural development in developing countries.

(30 Marks)

QUESTION 3

'Development is not about the delivery of goods to a passive citizenry'.

(a) Discuss the validity of this statement regarding public participation for sustained rural development. **(15 marks)**

(b) Identify best practices for effective public involvement in development by rural communities. **(15 marks)**

(30 Marks)

QUESTION 4

'Access to land and its distribution are critical factors in determining how rural people have recourse to their environments for their livelihoods'. Assess the validity of this statement citing relevant examples in Southern Africa with reference to land reform programmes.

(30 Marks)