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MAIN EXAMINATION-MAY/JUNE 2020

B.A. HUMAMATIES

TITLE OF PAPER: ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT (FT/PT)

COURSE CODE: GEP412/431

TIME ALLOWED: THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

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

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

THIS QUESTION PAPER SHOULD NOT BE OPENED UNTIL PERMISSION HAS BEEN GRANTED BY THE INVIGILATOR

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**SECTION A: COMPULSORY**

**QUESTION 1**

- a) Sustainable development remains a debatable concept. Critically discuss this concept, and state how it aims to balance its three main pillars. (20 marks)
- b) Discuss any 4 environmental problems and explain how each identified problem affects health and productivity. (20 marks)
- (40 Marks)**

**SECTION B: ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS FROM THIS SECTION**

**QUESTION 2**

The environment in developing countries is increasingly becoming vulnerable to the destructive behavior of transnational companies (TNCs) and it is also argued that globalization is negatively impacting on global public goods. Discuss the validity of the above arguments. (30 Marks)

**QUESTION 3**

Discuss how problems of food security in developing countries are linked to the challenges brought about by the disease burden and climate change. (30 Marks)

**QUESTION 4**

By referring to specific examples in Southern Africa, discuss the causes of poverty especially regarding social, economic and political dimensions. (30 Marks)

**QUESTION 5**

- (a) Describe the key features of the urban landscape in Eswatini. (15 marks)
- (b) Identify and discuss the solutions that have been adopted by the local municipalities or town boards to address the problems of urbanization. (15 marks)