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**FINAL EXAMINATION 2005**

**TITLE OF PAPER:       DEVELOPMENT PLANNING**  
**COURSE CODE:         ECON 419**

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 1.     ANSWER FOUR QUESTIONS : TWO FROM SECTION A AND TWO FROM SECTION B**
- 2.     ALL QUESTIONS CARRY 25 MARKS EACH.**

**TIME ALLOWED         THREE (3) HOURS**

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**SECTION A**

**Question 1**

- a) What is meant by development planning and why is it important to plan for the development of an economy  
[15 marks]
- b) Using appropriate examples, distinguish between Aggregate Growth and Input-Output Models of Development Planning.  
[ 10 marks]

**Question 2**

- a) Briefly outline the elements of the following WTO Agreements:
- i) Agreement on Agriculture (AOA) [ 9 marks]
  - ii) Trade Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS) [9 marks]
- b) Explain some of the concerns brought forth by Developing Countries regarding the implementation of the above WTO Agreements.  
[7 marks]

**Question 3**

- a) Distinguish between AGOA and NEPAD. Comment on the effectiveness or the expected gains from each of these initiatives in the development of the Africa Region.  
[25 marks]

**Question 4**

- a) Outline and explain the elements of the Lewis Two Sector development model.  
[13 marks]
- b) Explain, using the Harris –Todaro model, how the creation of urban jobs in the Lewis Two Sector model is likely to worsen the problem of urban unemployment.  
[ 12 marks]

**SECTION B**

**Question 5**

Comment on the effectiveness of fiscal and monetary policy instruments in planning for developing countries. How can Swaziland address these challenges? Discuss making clear references to critical development concerns for Swaziland.

[25 marks]

**Question 6**

(a) ***“The WTO Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS) poses a serious challenge to Development Planners of Developing Countries like Swaziland”*** Discuss this statement indicating clearly the likely impacts of the 4 modes of GATS and the principle of non-discrimination.

[25 marks]

**Question 7**

a) What is meant by “integrating population factors into development planning?” Why is it necessary to integrate them?

[12 marks]

b) Explain the importance of Rural Development and Agricultural Development Programmes in Development Planning.

[ 13 marks]

**Question 8**

a) Describe the elements of the National Development Strategy of the Kingdom of Swaziland. Comment on the progress made in addressing the various components of the strategy.

[12 marks]

b) Explain why the Economic and Social Reform Agenda (ESRA) for Swaziland necessarily has to incorporate gender concerns.

[13 marks]