Question 1

a) Distinguish carefully between the Rural and Urban Informal Sectors. (7 marks)

b) The importance of the urban informal sector on the development of the Swazi economy cannot be ignored. Discuss briefly why. (18 marks)

Question 2

a) As in many LDCs, in Swaziland concern for economic development should primarily be the concern about agricultural and rural development. Discuss.

(15 marks)

b) How can the disappointing performance of the rural agricultural sector be improved on in the future? Explain your answer. (10 marks)

Question 3

It is said that the rural sector in Swaziland consists of two kinds of agriculture. Explain what is meant by this statement, and describe how it affects land use in agriculture.

(25 marks)

Question 4

a) Describe briefly the arguments for and against the effects of foreign aid in Swaziland.

(18 marks)

b) Under what conditions should Swaziland seek foreign aid in the future? (7 marks)

Question 5

a) Why is Structural Adjustment necessary? Explain your answer fully. (7 marks)

b) Outline the primary elements in the reforms and adjustment process proposed by the IMF and WB, for Swaziland. (18 marks)

Question 6

Comment on regional co-operation in Southern Africa. Focus on the benefits and the main problems of integration. (25 marks)

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