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Title of Paper:

Politics of Labour in South Africa

Course Code:

PA 300

Time Allowed:

Two (2) Hours

Instructions:

- 1. Answer Two (2) Questions, one from each section
- 2. All Questions Carry Equal Marks of 25 Each

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Section A

Answer One (1) Question

- 1. Define labour politics. In your answer highlight the key issues in labour politics in South Africa today.
- 2. Compare and contrast neo-classical and Marxist theories of labour politics. In your answer, highlight the strengths and weaknesses of each theory.
- 3. Identify and critically discuss the role of the state in the 'proletarianization' of the African peasantry in South Africa.

Section B

- 4. Critically discuss the changes in the social and economic status of wage labour in post-apartheid South Africa.
- 5. How has the global economic crisis influenced the politics of labour in South Africa?
- 6. Critically discuss the relationship between political ideology and labour activism in South Africa. Use relevant examples to illustrate your answer.