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TITLE OF PAPER : **URBAN SOCIOLOGY**

COURSE CODE : **SOC 304**

TIME ALLOWED : **TWO (2) HOURS**

INSTRUCTIONS :

1. **ANSWER ANY THREE (3) QUESTIONS.**
2. **ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS.**

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QUESTION 1

The spatial density of people affects their choices in life. Discuss, using Louis Wirth's theory.

QUESTION 2

Critically examine the environmental issues related to urbanisation in Swaziland.

QUESTION 3

Apply the theory of 'urban bias' to Swaziland. Illustrate your answer with examples.

QUESTION 4

Though poverty in Swaziland is characterised by a strong rural dimension, the vulnerability of the urban poor cannot be underestimated. Discuss, illustrating with examples.

QUESTION 5

Examine the factors that have influenced the changing trends of family life in Swaziland.

QUESTION 6

"Informal settlements have a negative effect on city dwellers". Critically discuss this statement.