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TITLE OF PAPER: SOCIAL WORK AND SOCIAL PROBLEMS

COURSE CODE: SOC 411

TIME ALLOWED: TWO (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER ANY THREE (3) QUESTIONS

ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS

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QUESTION 1

Is Africa underdeveloped because it is primarily undemocratic? Or is Africa undemocratic because it is primarily underdeveloped? Discuss the cause and effect. Use sociological perspectives and concrete examples to support your views.

QUESTION 2

Discuss the differences and similarities between rich and poor countries in regards to social problems related to human development such as poverty, education and health.

QUESTION 3

Discuss how terrorism is a special type of war? That is in what specific ways does terrorism differ from conventional warfare? Use sociological theories to support your views.

QUESTION 4

Discuss and define sustainable development.

- i) In what way does technology affect the state of the natural environment?
- ii) What about cultural values?
- iii) How would an ecologically sustainable culture differ from our way of life (currently)?

QUESTION 5

In what ways are politics and the economy related? Consider this question from various political points of view.

QUESTION 6

What can society do to combat the problem of teenage pregnancy? Use sociological theories to support your views.