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RE-SIT EXAMINATION PAPER, JANUARY 2019

TITLE OF PAPER : SOCIAL CHANGE AND DEVELOPMENT

COURSE CODE : SOC423

TIME ALLOWED : TWO (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS 1. ANSWER ANY THREE (3)
QUESTIONS.

2. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL
MARKS

TOTAL MARKS: 100

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SOC423: SOCIAL CHANGE AND DEVELOPMENT

1. Discuss at least four (4) conceptualizations of social change. Based on these conceptualizations, formulate a working definition of social change and explain how it can be utilized in empirical and theoretical studies.
2. Citing specific examples, analyse the role of technology in sociocultural transformation.
3. Compare and contrast evolutionary and conflict theories of social change.
4. Explain how consumption has transformed the material and symbolic character of contemporary society.
5. Examine the social and psychological costs of change at different levels in society. How can change agents maximize the benefits of change and, at the same time, moderate the costs of change?
6. Critically discuss any three (3) approaches that combine environmental and developmental concerns with regard to addressing the challenge of sustainable development.