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RE-SIT EXAMINATION 2019

TITLE OF PAPER: POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT II

COURSE NUMBER: DEM 416

TIME ALLOWED: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER ANYTHREE QUESTIONS. QUESTIONS ARE WORTH 30 MARKS EACH.

REQUIREMENTS: NONE

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### Question 1

- a) It is argued that poverty is the main cause of high fertility and rapid population growth, particularly in developing countries. Critically appraise this argument from the *micro (household)* level perspective. (15)
- b) Are formal population policies necessary for fertility decline in developing countries or is development the best contraceptive? (15)

### Question 2

- a) In which respect does having a very youthful population constitute a problem for developing countries? (15)
- b) What is meant by the 'demographic dividend' and what are the conditions in which it is likely to have an effect on development? (15)

### Question 3

Illustrate and discuss the main interactions between the processes of mortality decline, migration and urbanisation. (30)

### Question 4

What is meant by the term 'digital divide' and why are the theoretical benefits of ICTs for the whole population compromised by any digital divide within developing countries as well as between the North and South? (30)