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FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS AND DEMOGRAPHY

COURSE CODE: DEM407

**TITLE OF PAPER: DEMOGRAPHIC PERSPECTIVES ON SOCIAL
AND ECONOMIC ISSUES**

TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS

TOTAL MARKS: 100

Instructions

1. Answer any two questions from Section A
2. Answer any two questions from Section B
3. Each question is worth 25 marks.

*Candidates may complete the front cover of their answer book when instructed by the Chief Invigilator and sign their examination attendance cards but must **NOT** write anything else until the start of the examination period is announced.*

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SECTION A: Answer any TWO questions**Question 1** [25 marks]

- 1.1 Explain what is meant by the term human capital? [5]
- 1.2 Explain, both, the strengths and weaknesses of the human capital theory. [20]

Question 2 [25 marks]

- 1.1 Explain, in brief, the concept of social capital. [5]
- 1.2 Discuss the implications, both positive and negative, of social capital on labour market outcomes. [20]

Question 3 [25 marks]

- 1.1 State and explain any two types of labour mobility. [10]
- 1.2 Briefly explain any five factors that have an influence on labour mobility. [15]

SECTION B: Answer any TWO questions**Question 4** [25 marks]

Discuss the implications of migration on destination areas.

Question 5 [25 marks]

Describe briefly Zelinsky (1971)'s hypothesis of mobility transition. This conceptual model or framework is applicable to contemporary developing countries. Discuss.

Question 6 [25 marks]

Describe briefly the Harris-Todaro migration theory and its policy implications. Critically appraise its contemporary relevance to developing countries.

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