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THIRD YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS

SOCI 103: RURAL SOCIOLOGY

STREAMS:

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: TUESDAY 30/03/2021

11.30 A.M – 1.30 P.M

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer question one and any other two questions.

Do not write on the question paper

QUESTION ONE

- (i) Discuss at least four (4) compelling reasons for studying rural sociology. [8 marks]
- (ii) Discuss how to Talcott persons dichotomization of rural communities is applicable to contemporary Kenyan society. [12 marks]
- (iii) Rural life can be analyzed by looking at spatial organization. Discuss the factors that determine regional differences. [10 marks]

QUESTION TWO

- (i) Define rural sociology [2 marks]
- (ii) Ferdinand Tonnies (1956) is credited for the concept of Gemeinschaft and Gesellschaft in his approach to differentiate between rural and urban communities using Kenya as an example. [18 marks]

QUESTION THREE

- (i) Discuss with relevant examples five factors responsible for rural underdevelopment in Kenya. [10 marks]
- (ii) Explain five strategies Kenya as a country can employ to achieve rural development. [10 marks]

QUESTION FOUR

- (i) Discuss the concept of stratification [2 marks]
- (ii) Explain at least six ways in which social stratifications takes place in the Kenyan society. [18 marks]

QUESTION FIVE

- (i) Community participation is important in rural society. Discuss. [6 marks]
- (ii) Kenya as a country has devised ways to encourage community participation. Discuss. [14 marks]

QUESTION SIX

Isolate at least six social challenges affecting a rural community you are familiar with . For each challenge discuss the probable cause(s) and suggest a practical solution for each.

[20 marks]
