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## EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF MASTER OF EDUCATION (EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATIONS)

EDFO 836: CONTEMPORARY THEMES IN SOCIOLOGY OF EDUCATION

STREAMS: TIME: 3 HOURS

DAY/DATE: WEDNESDAY 4/12/2019

2.30 P.M - 5.30 P.M

**INSTRUCTIONS** 

Answer any three questions

Do not write anything on this question paper

- 1. (a) You have been appointed as the principal Chuka Girls School. Briefly describe the steps you would take to counter each of the following possible challenges. [10 marks]
  - (i) Increasing cases of pregnancy among Form Two students.
  - (ii) General rise in drugs and substance abuse among students
  - (b) Kenya has experienced a long period of drought across that nation. Discuss the possible impacts of this on education especially in the counties in the North Eastern, North rift, coast and lower Eastern region of the country. [10 marks]
- 2. Kenyan primary schools have been criticized for concentrating on examinations grades without regard to the quality of knowledge and skills acquired by their students.
  - (a) Examine the factors that may be responsible for this situation. [10 marks]
  - (b) Suggest possible remedies for the poor quality of education being offered to learners in Kenyan primary schools. [10 marks]
- (a) There are suggestions that Mother Tongue should be adopted as the medium of
  instruction for learners in lower primary schools in Kenya. Examine the merits and
  demerits of this suggestion with regard to the Kenyan education system. [10 marks]

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- (b) There is a marked rise in case of child abuse in Kenya. Discuss the main factors contributing to increase in child abuse and suggest ways in which teachers can respond to child abuse in their schools. [10 marks]
- 4. (a) Examine the consequences of the increasing rates of employment of mothers on development and general well being of children in Kenya. [10 marks]

(b) Discuss the main challenges facing higher education in Kenya. [10 marks]