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**EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF  
BACHELOR OF ARTS**

**RELI 205: PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION**

**STREAMS: BA**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

**DAY/DATE: TUESDAY 14/04/2020**

**11.30 AM – 1.30 PM**

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**INSTRUCTIONS:**

**Answer ALL Questions in Section A and any other Two in Section B**

**SECTION A**

1. (a) Define the following terms: [10 marks]
  - (i) Metaphysics
  - (ii) Logic
  - (iii) Henotheism
  - (iv) Deism
  - (v) Pantheism
- (b) Why is philosophy of religion an important field of study today? [5 marks]
2. According to Ninian smart philosophy is like a mirror which helps to see ourselves more clearly. Comment on this assertion and explain how philosophy has helped man in understanding his religions nature. [15 marks]

**SECTION B**

3. Discuss the cosmological argument for the existence of God and examine the merits and demerits of this argument. [20 marks]
4. Critically examine why atheism has found it difficult to survive in Africa. What is your genuine response to the news that recently some poor parents in Kenya returned the money that had been contributed by atheists? [20 marks]

5. (i) Explain the meaning of the term 'Theodicy'. [2 marks]
- (ii) Discuss the Augustinian theodicy. [10 marks]
- (iii) In your view why do you think God has failed to stop evil in the world? [8 marks]
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