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MAIN EXAMINATION

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FACULTY OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES AND DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

REGULAR PROGRAMME

SPO 351: COMPARATIVE PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

**DATE: APRIL 2024**

**Duration: 2 Hours**

**INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question ONE and any other TWO Questions**

**Q1.**

- a) As a student of Political Science/International Relations, STATE TEN ADVANTAGES of studying Comparative Public Administration. Using relevant examples, explain benefits of FIVE of these advantages. **(10 Marks)**
- b) Development of a Country depends on its Public administration. Discuss with examples drawn from any THREE developing countries in Africa South of Sahara. **(10 Marks)**
- c) Explain with examples the relevance of Henri Fayol's Fourteen (14) Principles of Management in Public Administration. **(5 Marks)**
- d) Critique the definition by a section of management school of thought that Public administration is an Art not a Science. **(5 Marks)**

**Q2.**

Describe FIVE theories on which the study of Public Administration is based.

**(20 Marks)**

**Q3.**

A section of scholars argue that Public Administration in developing economies is characterized with interferences from the executive. Discuss with examples.

**(20 Marks)**

**Q4.**

Distinguish between Public Administration and Management and state FOUR similarities that exist between them.

**(20 Marks)**

**Q5.**

- a) Using suitable examples, describe FOUR characteristics and paradoxes of Bureaucracy.

**(10 Marks)**

- b) Woodrow Wilson was of the view that Public Administration be separated from politics. As an expert in the area of discipline, explain with suitable examples FIVE reasons why you either SUPPORT or DO NOT SUPPORT the view.

**(10 Marks)**

**Q6.**

- a) According to Ott and Russell, (2000) Administrative decision making in Public Administration entails various managerial roles. State EIGHT (8) of these managerial roles.

**(10 Marks)**

- b) Explain SIX (6) of them using relevant examples.

**(10 Marks)**

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