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DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

ODEL PROGRAMME

SDS 209: POVERTY AND LIVELIHOOD SECURITY

Date: DECEMBER 2018

Duration: 2 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question ONE and ANY OTHER TWO Questions

- Q1. a) Define absolute poverty and in which areas of the world is it common?
(6 Marks)
- b) Distinguish between case poverty and relative poverty.
(6 Marks)
- c) By use of examples clearly distinguish between factors and causes of poverty.
(6 Marks)
- d) What meaning do you attach to equilibrium of poverty?
(6 Marks)
- e) What is the poverty circle and why did Chambers (1985) describe it as vicious?
(6 Marks)
- Q2. a) Elaborate on the argument of Amartyr Sen (1990) regarding his notion of “unfreedoms” and how they relate to poverty?
(8 Marks)
- b) Describe three characteristics of the least Developed Countries (LDCs)
(12 Marks)

- Q3. a) Write in an essay the distinguishing features of rural poverty and the poverty in the urban areas. **(10 Marks)**
- b) In your view which is more serious that should concern governments of the Third World and why? **(10 Marks)**
- Q4. What do you understand by livelihood security and what are the factors that contribute to it? **(20 Marks)**
- Q5. Discuss any three policies that the Third World countries may adopt and implement to improve economic growth and reduce poverty? **(20 Marks)**

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