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FINAL EXAMINATION

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REGULAR / ODEL / EVENING PROGRAMMES

SDS 416 URBANIZATION AND DEVELOPMENT

Date: DECEMBER 2020

Duration: 2 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question ONE and any other TWO Questions

Question One

- a. Discuss the situations that explain urban poverty **(8 Marks)**
- b. Elaborate on your understanding of three possible definitions of urbanization as laid out by some scholars **(8 Marks)**
- c. Explain with examples, why it is generally accepted that rural-urban migration is a factor of imbalance in development between urban and rural areas. **(8 Marks)**
- d. Describe why urbanization process is closely associated with development? **(6 Marks)**

Question Two

- a) What are some of the practices some urban dwellers use to cope with urban poverty? Illustrate with suitable examples. **(10 Marks)**

- b) Analyze the factors which give rise to the growth of informal settlements that are common in the Third World cities. **(10 Marks)**

Question Three

- a) Compare the urbanization process in the developing countries and that which happened much earlier in the advanced nations. **(10 Marks)**
- b) Informal settlements have specific characteristics by which they are recognized. Discuss. **(10 Marks)**

Question Four

- a) Explain the critical significance of transportation in urban areas? **(10 Marks)**
- b) Which factors have been found to contribute to traffic congestion in the cities of the Third World? **(10 marks)**

Question Five

- a) What advantages do governments have in implementing development activities and projects in urban areas as opposed to rural areas? **(10 Marks)**
- b) How can informal economy be understood and why is it an easy option for those with low paying jobs? **(10 Marks)**

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