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**MAIN EXAMINATION**

**JANUARY – APRIL 2019 TRIMESTER**

**FACULTY OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES**

**DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES**

**REGULAR PROGRAMME**

**SSO 302: CONTEMPORARY SOCIAL THEORY**

**Date: APRIL 2019**

**Duration: 2 Hours**

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

- Q1. a) There is a symbiotic relationship between theory and research. Discuss. (15 marks)
- b) Theory construction is an art. With the use of diagrammatic illustrations, defend how the two ways and a combination of the two apply (15 marks)
- Q2. There are three groups in society that control the economy while the rest of the citizenry remain dejected. With the use of a theoretical framework, elucidate the validity of this statement. (20 marks)
- Q3. a) Assess the utility of the modernization theory in understanding the conundrum that Africa and the rest of the South face when it comes to the driving of the development agenda. (15 marks)
- b) What are the potential pitfalls of the this model (5 marks)
- Q4. a) Why is the grounded theory referred to as a qualitative research method? (3 marks)
- b) State and discuss the use of the sampling techniques used in the grounded theory approach. (9 marks)

c) Outline and elaborate on the GT process **(8 marks)**

Q5. Andre Gunder Frank and other scholars argue that the issues that impede development of the third world are externally driven. Elaborate with the use of salient examples **(20 marks)**

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