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# MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (MMUST)

#### MAIN EXAMINATION

## UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2022/2023 ACADEMIC YEAR

### FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

#### **MASTER OF SCIENCE - ECONOMICS**

COURSE CODE:

ECO 804

COURSE TITLE:

ECONOMIC OF DEVELOPMENT

DATE:

TUESDAY 06/12/2022

TIME: 2:00-5:00

#### INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

ATTEMPT QUESTION ONE AND ANY OTHER TWO

TIME: 3 Hours

MMUST observes ZERO tolerance to examination cheating

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#### QUESTION ONE.

- Discuss the purpose and performance of the IMF and World Bank's stabilisation and structural adjustment programmes in supporting the economic progress of developing countries. (10 Marks)
- ii. Critically assess the impact of foreign aid in the presence of the 'savings displacement effect' and 'fungibility'. (7 marks)
- iii. Briefly outline the limitations of the Human Development Index (HDI) as a measure of economic development (7 Marks)
  - iv. Comprehensive discuss the role and contribution of education to Economic Development Kenya (6 Marks)

#### **QUESTION TWO**

- i. Corruption is a disease but if controlled can leads to development. Discuss (8 Marks)
- Rev. Robert Thomas Malthus is a proponent of the dangers of population to national property. Discuss the relevance of this theory to developing nations like Kenya (12 Marks)

#### **QUESTION THREE**

- a). Explain the circular flow of modern economic growth (Include diagram) and explain why in your opinion Kenya has not achieved economic growth given the three components in Kuznets (12 Marks)
- b). Describe the capitalist crisis as explained in the Marxian theory, Is Marxian theory applicable to the less developed countries? State reason(s) for your answer.

  (8 Marks)

#### **QUESTION THREE**

a) International trade is powerful engine of economic growth and development. Discuss this statement. (7 Marks)

- b) Precisely discuss the policy options developing countries can adopt to alleviate poverty (7 Marks)
- c) Developing countries have placed heavy emphasis on agriculture.is it good or bad. Discuss it with in relation to modern economic growth (6 Marks)

#### **QUESTION FOUR**

- a) Developing Nations have made plans and strategies to propel their nations to economic growth and development with varied degree of success. Discuss reasons for failures and policy recommendation (8 Marks)
- b) Critically examine the proposition that international aid flows will lead to sustained economic development. Discuss (7 Marks)
- c) Policies to increase agricultural productivity would also help reduce ruralurban migration. Briefly discuss. (5 Marks)

#### **QUESTION FIVE**

- a). What are the millennium development goals and what were re they aimed at? (3 marks)
- b). State the 17 sustainable development goals proposed by the United development programme? (17 Marks)

#### **QUESTION SIX**

- a) It is argued that foreign aid is only effective if 'good macroeconomic policies are present'. Does empirical evidence support this statement? (6 marks)
- b) Evidence shows that more accountable governments are more successful in dealing with Economic growth factors True or false? Discuss. (7 Marks)
- c) According to Simon Kuznets, what has been the key element marking the epoch of modern economic growth? (7Marks)