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SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER

SCHOOL OF TOURISM AND NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT
BACHELOR OF URBAN AND REGIONAL PLANNING

COURSE CODE: URP 2203
COURSE TITLE: REGIONAL PLANNING

DATE 18TH APRIL 2019 TIME: 0830 -1030HRS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES
- Section A is compulsory
- Answer any **THREE** questions in section B

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**SECTION A: ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS (25 MARKS)**

1 a) Differentiate between these concepts
   - i. Regional problems and problem regions **(2 marks)**
   - ii. Balanced region economic development and unbalanced region economic development **(2 marks)**
   - iii. Local planning authority and regional development authority **(2 marks)**

b) Discuss the concept of region in regional planning **(5 marks)**

c) Discuss the following regional planning techniques
   - i. Cost-benefit analysis **(3 marks)**
   - ii. Planning, programming and budgeting systems **(3 marks)**
   - iii. Regional threshold analysis **(3 marks)**

d) Explain the need for regional analysis in planning **(5 marks)**

**SECTION B: ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS (45 MARKS)**

2 a) Explain the usefulness of regional planning **(7 marks)**

b) Discuss the roles of regional planning agencies **(8 marks)**

3 a) Discuss the criticisms facing balanced and unbalanced growths **(8 marks)**
b) Explain the usefulness of regional development planning (1 mark)
c) Discuss the role of the following bodies in regional development
   i. Government (2 marks)
   ii. Regional bodies (2 marks)
   iii. Local government (2 marks)

4 a) Discuss any five development regions (5 marks)
   b) Explain the levels of development planning in Kenya (4 marks)
   c) Explain six factors that hinder regional development integration in Africa (6 marks)

5. Describe regional development practice in relation to the new Kenyan Constitution dispensation (15 marks)