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BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ECONOMICS AND STATISTICS

COURSE CODE: ECO 2208
COURSE TITLE: ISSUES IN AFRICAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question **ONE** and any other **THREE** questions

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**QUESTION ONE**

(a) The objective of Structural adjustment programs in Africa was to establish a market-friendly set of incentives that can encourage the accumulation of capital and more efficient allocation of resources. Discuss \(14 \text{ Marks}\)

(b) Differentiate between Economic Growth and Economic Development \(4 \text{ Marks}\)

(c) With reference to African Union Vision 2063, explain how a prosperous Africa based on inclusive growth and sustainable development is to be achieved. \(7 \text{ Marks}\)

**QUESTION TWO**

(a) Multinational Companies dominate not only global investment but also international production, trade, finance and technology. Discuss with reference to sub-Saharan African country of your choice. \(10 \text{ Marks}\)

(b) Explain how the existence of imperfect markets in African countries has been used to justify an active role for government intervention. \(5 \text{ Marks}\)

**QUESTION THREE**

(a) Explain how the common influence of major shifts in economic events such as commodity booms, oil shocks and foreign assistance affects growth of economy of African Countries. \(8 \text{ Marks}\)
(b) Discuss the main reasons for low rate of capital formation in African countries

(7 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR
(a) Explain the challenges of public enterprises in Kenya.

(5 Marks)

(b) Discuss five major constraints that have impeded economic development in Africa since 1960’s.

(10 Marks)

QUESTION FIVE
The structural characteristics identifiable with the pattern of production, consumption and exchange of the African economy constitute the most fundamental causes of its underdevelopment and retrogression. Discuss

(15 Marks)

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