



MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

2023 / 2024 ACADEMIC YEAR

FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER

**SCHOOL OF ARTS, HUMANITIES, SOCIAL
SCIENCES AND CREATIVE INDUSTRIES**

B. A. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

COURSE CODE: CMD 1208-1

COURSE TITLE: RURAL DEVELOPMENT

DATE: 16/5/2024

TIME: 1430-1630 HRS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question ONE and any other TWO questions

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SECTION A: COMPULSORY SECTION (20 MARKS)

QUESTION ONE

a) Define the term rural development and show how devolution has been used as a strategy of modernizing rural areas in Kenya today **(10 Marks)**

b) Using relevant examples, explain the extent to which rural development principles have been applied in the provision of key services in rural areas in developing countries today **(10 Marks)**

SECTION B: ANSWER ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION TWO

“Key rural development models and approaches have emerged in the development process especially in rural areas”. Discuss this statement using relevant examples. **(15 Marks)**

QUESTION THREE

a) As an upcoming rural development expert, critically evaluate sources of Social Capital in Rural and Community Development in your village in the contemporary Kenya **(10 Marks)**

b) Using relevant examples, discuss any **TWO** tools of measuring poverty in rural areas and show how they have been used to improve the living standards of rural dwellers in Africa today **(5 Marks)**

QUESTION FOUR

a) “Youth belong to the latent resources of a nation”. Citing key examples, discuss how youth can be integrated in rural development across the world. **(10 Marks)**

b) Briefly discuss how rural development is key in building rural livelihoods of rural dwellers in Kenya today **(5 Marks)**

QUESTION FIVE

“Women have come together in rural areas to form community based organizations to enable them achieve their financial and social needs/ goals”. Discuss this statement using key examples **(15 Marks)**