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FINAL EXAMINATION OUESTION PAPER, MAY 2009

TITLE OF PAPER

: LITERACY AND DEVELOPMENT

COURSE CODE

IDE - BAE 309 (1 & 2)

TIME ALLOWED

THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

1. ANSWER TWO QUESTIONS FROM SECTION A AND TWO QUESTIONS FROM SECTION B.

2. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS.

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SECTION A

QUESTION 1

Account for the reasons for high illiteracy rate in the world and outline the strategies that Swaziland should adopt to wipe out illiteracy and create literacy surroundings. [25marks]

QUESTION 2

It has been advocated that literacy plays significant role in the social, and political transformation of society. Discuss showing how this has or can be realised in Swaziland.

[25marks]

QUESTION 3

It has been concluded by literacy researchers that the map of illiteracy closely coincides with the map of poverty, malnutrition, ill-health, infant-mortality etc.

- (a) Explain what this statement means in practice.
- (b) What strategy should be applied in literacy education provision in order to avoid this trap? [25marks]

SECTION B

QUESTION 4

"Adult literacy has never had much legitimacy in Africa" Discuss this statement in relation to (a) personnel (b) salaries of those involved (c) recognition (d) policy.

[25marks]

QUESTION 5

- (a) Discuss the social-economic characteristics of illiterate societies.
- (b) What are the contributions of literacy training to development in (a) above?

[25marks]

QUESTION 6

Discuss the attributes of a literate person.

[25marks]