

UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND**FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER, MAY 2005****B.A, BASS, B Ed.**

- TITLE** : ASPECTS OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
- COURSE NUMBER** : GEP 414
- INSTRUCTIONS** : 1. ANSWER THREE (3) QUESTIONS IN ALL INCLUDING
QUESTION 1 WHICH IS COMPULSORY
2. WHERE APPROPRIATE ILLUSTRATE YOUR ANSWERS
WITH EXAMPLES AND SKETCHES
- MARK ALLOCATION** : QUESTION ONE CARRIES FORTY (40) MARKS
AND THE OTHER QUESTIONS ARE WORTH
THIRTY (30) MARKS EACH.

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SECTION A: COMPULSORY SECTION

QUESTION 1

The Swaziland Government through the Deputy Prime minister's office in collaboration with the United Nations Development Programme has hired a team of consultants to assess various aspects of development in rural Swaziland.

- a) Discuss the issues that need to be addressed in their report. (20 marks)
- b) Suggest strategies that may be proposed to address them. (20 marks)

SECTION B : ANSWER ANY TWO (2) QUESTIONS

QUESTION 2

Discuss the impacts of the HIV/AIDS pandemic on Sustainable development. (30 marks).

QUESTION 3

Discuss the Rural Development Area Programmes (RDAPs) implemented in Swaziland highlighting its successes and failures. (30 marks)

QUESTION 4

Describe the importance of the following in rural development:

- a) Land Reform; and (15 marks)
- b) Public Participation (15 marks)

QUESTION 5

'A major and often overlooked feature of Third World agrarian systems, particularly in Africa and Asia, is the crucial role played by women in agricultural production' (Todaro, 1989: 311). Discuss the validity of this statement.

(30 marks)