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**PLANNING**  
**FINAL EXAMINATION – MAY, 2017**  
**BA, B.A.S.S., B.ED (F/PT)**

TITLE OF PAPER: PRINCIPLES OF PLANNING

COURSE NUMBER: GEP 324

TIME ALLOWED: THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: 1. ANSWER THREE (3) QUESTIONS.

2. QUESTION ONE (1) IS COMPULSORY.

3. CHOOSE TWO (2) OTHER QUESTIONS FROM SECTION B.

4. WHERE APPROPRIATE ILLUSTRATE YOUR ANSWER  
WITH EXAMPLES

MARKS ALLOCATION: QUESTION ONE CARRIES FORTY (40) MARKS AND  
THE OTHER QUESTIONS CARRY THIRTY (30) MARKS  
EACH

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**SECTION A: COMPULSORY QUESTION**

**QUESTION 1**

‘Current planning approaches focus on participation, communication and dialogue’. Discuss the advantages and difficulties encountered in the implementation of these approaches in the planning processes. **(40 Marks)**

**SECTION B: ANSWER ANY TWO (2) QUESTIONS**

**QUESTION 2**

- a) Discuss the advantages and limitations of decentralization policies. **(20 marks)**
  - b) Explain why decentralization policy should be applied in developing countries. **(10 marks)**
- (30 Marks)**

**QUESTION 3**

- a) Outline the general features of a sustainable development plan. **(10 marks)**
  - b) Discuss the principles which guide planning for sustainable development. **(20 marks)**
- (30 Marks)**

**QUESTION 4**

- a) Discuss the pitfalls you are likely to encounter in planning. **(10 marks)**
  - b) Discuss how you will attain successful planning. **(20 marks)**
- (30 Marks)**

**QUESTION 5**

‘The demand for town planning was a result of the interaction of three variables’. Identify these variables and explain how they influence planning. **(30 Marks)**