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**FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER: DECEMBER 2018**

**TITLE OF PAPER: PUBLIC FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION**

**COURSE CODE: PA 407**

**TIME ALLOWED: THREE (3) HOURS**

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 1. ANSWER FOUR (4) QUESTIONS**
- 2. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS OF TWENTY FIVE (25) EACH**

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### **QUESTION 1**

What is the public sector and why should it intervene in the economy instead of allowing the private sector to be in charge of the entire economy as proposed by some of the early scholars like Adam Smith?

### **QUESTION 2**

Discuss the regulatory function of government and then discuss the main agencies that play a role in public financial administration.

### **QUESTION 3**

Discuss the different classifications of public expenditure as well as Adolf Wagner's theory on the growth of public expenditure.

### **QUESTION 4**

The World Bank postulates six principles of good budgeting. Discuss these principles and then discuss the process involved in budget authorisation.

### **QUESTION 5**

Musgrave and Musgrave, outline the characteristics of a system that would yield maximum tax revenues. Discuss these characteristics and then outline the nine main canons of taxation.

### **QUESTION 6**

Discuss the main budget documents in Eswatini and also discuss the challenges that are encountered by developing countries when making budgets.

### **QUESTION 7**

Differentiate between single source procurement and limited tendering and then discuss the tendering process.

### **QUESTION 8**

Define cost benefit analysis and then discuss its main principles.