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SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

END-OF-SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS IN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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CAMPUS: ROYSAMBU

COURSE CODE: CDC 417

COURSE TITLE: DEMOCRATIC GOVERNANCE

EXAM DATE:

DURATION: 3 HOURS

TIME:

INSTRUCTIONS

- **Read the instructions and questions carefully before you write the answers.**
- **Answer any TWO questions**
- ***ALL PAC University's examination rules and regulations apply***

Answer any three questions (60 Marks)

Question One (20 Marks)

a) Drawing examples from a country of your choice, discuss five features of democratic governance assessing how each contributes in strengthening democracy (10 marks)

b) A country may hold regular elections but still fail to be truly democratic. Discuss five factors that could undermine fair and free elections in a country. (10 Marks)

Question Two (20 marks)

a) Using relevant examples from an African country of your choice, discuss five roles the opposition plays in strengthening democratic governance (10 Marks)

b) In the context of Kenya's democratic governance, assess five initiatives that can be implemented to strengthen judicial independence (10 marks)

Question Three (20 Marks)

a) One of the key roles of members of Parliament is to represent the interests of citizens. Using examples from your country, examine five ways Parliamentarians carry out this important role. (10 Marks)

b) Corruption in Africa has become a major challenge, drawing examples from your own country, analyze five ways corruption has affected the lives of ordinary citizens in your country (10 Marks)

Question Four (20 Marks)

a) Effective public management systems are critical for national development. Using relevant examples, assess five ways in which they contribute to effective governance and service delivery. (10 Marks)

b) Explain what is meant by Rule of Law, examining four roles it plays in safeguarding democracy (10 Marks)