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CAMPUS: ROYSAMBU

DEPARTMENT: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

COURSE CODE: MCS 502

COURSE TITLE: FUNDAMENTALS OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

EXAM DATE:

DURATION: 2 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*

Question one

a) Community development is often described as both a set of principles and a strategy for social transformation. Critically analyze this statement in five ways with reference to the key principles of community development and their practical application. **(10 marks)**

b) Focusing on a community that depends heavily on external aid. Describe how you would use the principles of self-reliance and capacity building to gradually reduce this dependency and promote local leadership **(10marks)**

Question Two

a) Imagine you have completed a community development project aimed at improving local employment. In five ways, describe how you would evaluate the effectiveness of your community and stakeholder engagement**(10marks)**

b) Community development theory and practice are rooted in colonial history. Critically assess five ways in which the concept of decolonization can be applied to community development to promote more equitable and culturally relevant approaches. **(10marks)**

Question Three

A county government is planning to partner with faith-based organizations, local administrators, youth leaders, women's groups, and business people in order to address drug abuse and unemployment among young people.

Discuss five roles of stakeholders in this intervention and explain **Five practical ways** of strengthening stakeholder engagement for effective community development outcomes. **(20 marks)**