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COURSE CODE: MCS 506

COURSE TITLE: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT METHODS AND TECHNIQUES

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

From an ideological perspective, community research is often influenced by positivism, interpretivism, critical theories, and participatory ideologies. Discuss these research ideologies, citing one example for each. **20marks**

Question Two

A rural community has frequent food shortages, but it also has strong women's groups, local savings groups, skilled artisans, and unused communal land. A development worker wants to introduce a community project.

Using the case above, discuss five ways in which the asset-based approach could be used to promote sustainable community development. **(20 marks)**

Question three

"Effective community organizing leads to long-term social transformation." Critically analyze this statement, drawing on **FIVE real-world examples** of grassroots movements that successfully influenced policy change **20marks**