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EAR 4503: HUMAN SETTLEMENTS
END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION
YEAR FIVE SEMESTER I
SERIES: MAY 2025
TIME: 2 HOURS
DATE: May 2025

Instructions to Candidates

You should have the following for this examination

-Answer Booklet, examination pass and student ID

This paper consists of **FIVE** questions. Attempt question ONE (Compulsory) and any other TWO questions.

Do not write on the question paper.

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 MARKS)

- a) Describe human settlements (10 marks)
- b) The creation of workable human settlements inevitably becomes an objective of, an indicator of, and a prerequisite for social and economic development. Discuss. (10 Marks)
- c) Describe the following functions of human settlements
 - i) Service (4 marks)
 - ii) Infrastructure (3 marks)
 - iii) Economic (3 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) The 1978 Strategy for Urban and Rural Development identified THREE causes of Nairobi's primacy. Briefly explain these three causes. (12 marks)
- b) Explain the challenges of primacy (8 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) The first United Nations Conference on Human Settlements in Vancouver, Canada, 1976 noted that the condition of human settlements 'largely determines the quality of life'. Explain. (10 marks)
- b) Human development is the creation of a form of human environment in which Safety, Sufficiency, Satisfaction, and Stimulus prevail for human beings. Briefly explain these four factors. (10 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain FOUR standards of adequacy that should be met by affordable housing. (12 marks)
- b) Explain FOUR challenges in the provision of affordable housing (8 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

In determining suitable national policies for the stimulation of the growth of the economy the Government is usually confronted with the dilemma in emphasizing either the development of the RURAL or the URBAN sector. Discuss. (20 marks)