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DEPARTMENT OF ARCHITECTURE & BUILT ENVIRONMENT
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION FOR:
BACHELOR OF ARCHITECTURAL STUDIES/BACHELOR OF
ARCHITECTURE
EAR 4503: HUMAN SETTLEMENTS
SPECIAL AND SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION
YEAR FIVE SEMESTER I
SERIES: NOVEMBER 2025
TIME: 2 HOURS
DATE: November 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) Distinguish between rural and urban areas (10 marks)
- b) The first United Nations Conference on Human Settlements in Vancouver, Canada, 1976 noted that the unacceptable circumstances of life for vast numbers of people in human settlements, particularly in developing countries, is likely to be further aggravated (unless action is taken) as a result of inequitable economic growth; social, economic, ecological and environmental deterioration and rural dispersion among other factors. Elaborate these three factors. (20 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

International instruments such as the Habitat declarations have identified a number of challenges facing cities which have seriously challenged the capacities of Governments, particularly those of developing countries, to realize economic development, social development and environmental protection. Discuss ANY FIVE of these challenges showing how they have inhibited governments from realizing economic development, social development and environmental protection.

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

Explain the following possible patterns of urban development

- a) Model of Concentration (10 marks)
- b) Model of Selective Concentration: Growth Poles (10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain ADEQUATE HOUSING (8 marks)
- b) Discuss the manifestation of the shortage of affordable housing in Kenya (12 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

Discuss FIVE policy bases for the Sessional Paper No. 3 of April 2016 on National Housing Policy for Kenya (20 marks)