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CENTRE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND ETHICS

REGULAR PROGRAMME

JPE 108: CULTURE AND PEACEBUILDING

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Duration: 2 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question ONE and ANY OTHER TWO Questions

- Q1. a) A culture of peace is a set of values, attitudes, traditions and modes of behavior and ways of life fostered by an enabling national and international environment conducive to peace. Using examples, explain how African traditions promote a culture of peace. **(20 Marks)**
- b) The African Culture can also be negatively used to promote a culture of death and disturb peace. Explain the instances where African culture is used negatively to disturb the peace. **(10 Marks)**
- Q2. There have been many societies in history peacefully coexisting with others despite ethnic or regional differences, and we should avoid attributing conflicts and frictions to differences in culture. Yet, we cannot deny that culture intensifies such confrontations when ethnic or cultural differences are combined with economic or political interests. Evaluate this Statement. **(20 Marks)**
- Q3. Cultural exchange is defined as activities that enhance mutual understanding and foster the appreciation of mutual identities; we can say that it is a process that may include assimilation, absorption and integration. How can cultural exchange play a role in peace building. **(20 Marks)**
- Q4. Culture combines many elements to create a unique way of living for different people. Culture together with its elements, form a people's unique way of life and norms. These elements look different across cultures, and many change with time as a society evolves. Discuss these elements of culture. **(20 Marks)**

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