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## JOMO KENYATTA UNIVERSITY

**OF**

**AGRICULTURE AND TECHNOLOGY**

# University Examinations 2018/2019

**FOURTH YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF DEVELOPMENT STUDIES**

**HSD 2402 : ISSUES IN RURAL DEVELOPMENT**

**DATE: APRIL 2019 TIME: 2 HOURS**

**INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) AND ANY OTHER**

**TWO QUESTIONS.**

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**QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)**

Kenya is among the developing countries in the world with its population increasing day by day. Kenya as a country has different regions made up of the urban-peri-urban and rural areas. These regions are distinguished by many factors such as land size, population, infrastructure, industries, businesses, among other factors. Other than the above mentioned factors, rural dwellers experience a lot of challenges and hence the rate of development in these areas are minimal or stagnant.

**Questions**

(a) Discuss the challenges faced by people living in rural areas. [6 marks]

(b) Explain the characteristics of the rural community. [6 marks]

(c) Outline strategies to address rural poverty. [6 marks]

(d) Discuss the ways to raise farm productivity and boost growth. [6 marks]

(e) Discuss any two rural development theories. [6 marks]

**QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

(a) Highlight the principles of rural development programmes. [8 marks]

(b) Discuss the importance of Agriculture. [12 marks]

**QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

(a) Explain the contribution of rural areas to the national economy. [10 marks]

(b) Discuss the obstacles experienced in the development of rural areas. [10 marks]

**QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

(a) Elaborate on trends in rural development policy. [12 marks]

(b) Outline objectives of rural development. [8 marks]

**QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

(a) Explain problems associated with rural development. [10 marks]

(b) Discuss the strategy for rural development. [10 marks]