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EXAMINATION: NOVEMBER 2011**

**SCHOOL : ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES  
LEVEL : II  
MODULE : GEOGRAPHIES OF URBAN AND RURAL CHANGE  
CODE : GEOG 220**

**DURATION: 3 HOURS**

**TOTAL MARKS: 150**

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MODERATOR: PROF B MAHARAJ**

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**INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER THREE QUESTIONS, ONE QUESTION  
FROM SECTION A, ONE FROM SECTION B AND ANY  
OTHER QUESTION.  
ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS.**

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**SECTION A: RURAL**

1. Identify and examine various institutional constraints and management actions that contribute to the persistence of rural poverty in Southern Africa using appropriate examples. (50)
2. The underdevelopment of South African rural areas is now the heavy drag that is pulling down the entire economy of the country. It will remain depressed, and will not develop, as long as African rural areas are underdeveloped (Vilakazi, 2011). Do you agree with this view? Discuss with reference to examples. (50)
3. The Comprehensive Rural Development Strategy (Green Paper on Land Reform, 24 August 2011) is supported by three key elements. Critically discuss these three elements of the strategy, using appropriate examples where necessary. (50)

**SECTION B: URBAN**

4. With the aid of appropriate examples, discuss the evolution of cities from the pre-capitalist to the modern era. (50)
5. With reference to specific examples, critically discuss the origin and evolution of the apartheid city in South Africa. (50)
6. Critically assess the impact of globalisation on urban development. Use examples to substantiate your answer. (50)

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SUPPLEMENTARY/AEGROTAT EXAMINATION: DECEMBER 2011**

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**SECTION A: RURAL**

1. It is argued that improving access to services and infrastructure is critical for rural development in Southern Africa. Discuss how the lack of services and infrastructure contributes to rural marginalization and poverty. Also, illustrate how these problems can be addressed. (50)
2. Sustainable development is a reminder of the need to integrate agricultural, economic, social, and environmental sectors of the economy in the overall development of developing countries (Udoh-James, 1996). Critically analyze sustainable development strategy and examine the problems associated with its implementation. (50)
3. Discuss what you would consider to be the four key constraints to effective rural development in this decade, using concrete examples. (50)

**SECTION B: URBAN**

4. Changes in transport technology have played a critical role in influencing urban morphology. Critically analyse this statement. (50)
5. Critically assess the urban reconstruction and development strategies in a post-apartheid South Africa. (50)
6. The bases of inequalities in urban settlements are not simply the result of economic forces but they emanate from a complex interplay of social, economic and political forces. Discuss. (50)

