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EXAMINATION PAPER

Bachelor of Science (Hons) in Development Studies: Part 1 Semester 1

COURSE CODE : ADS 113
COURSE TITLE : Governance and Development
DURATION : 3 Hours
DATE : 14 JUN 2024

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

1. Answer any 3 Questions.
2. Each question carries 25 Marks.
3. Start each question on a new page of your answer sheet.
4. Use relevant examples or case studies in answering your questions.

1. A developing country is undergoing a decentralization process, aiming to transfer power and decision-making authority from the central government to local authorities. However, there are concerns about the capacity of local governments, lack of resources, and potential for elite capture. Discuss the role of capacity-building initiatives, citizen engagement, and intergovernmental cooperation in supporting successful decentralization and inclusive development.
2. Analyze the advantages of decentralizing power and decision-making authority to local governments or regional bodies. Provide recommendations on how a country can strengthen local governance structures, build capacity at the local level, and ensure effective coordination between central and local authorities.
3. Analyze the importance of transparency, accountability, and anti-corruption measures in effective governance. Discuss the benefits of open data, citizen access to information and citizen engagement in policy making.
4. In a developing country, there are widespread allegations of corruption within the public procurement process. The government has established an anti-corruption committee, but progress has been slow. Analyze the role of civil society organizations in promoting transparency and accountability in public procurement.
5. Discuss the role of urban planning, participatory decision-making, and innovative financing mechanisms in supporting effective urban governance and addressing the needs of the urban population.

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