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EXAMINATION PAPER

Bachelor of Science (Hons) in Development Studies: Part 4 Semester 2

COURSE CODE : ADS 425
COURSE TITLE : International Trade and Development
DURATION : 3 Hours
DATE : 28 JUL 2025

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

1. Answer any **THREE** questions only.
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. The Democratic Republic of Congo has recently discovered significant deposits of cobalt, a key mineral used in the production of electric vehicle batteries. Using the concepts of comparative advantage and absolute advantage, discuss how the DRC can utilize its cobalt resources to promote economic development. [25]
2. Ghana is seeking to diversify its economy by developing its manufacturing sector, particularly in the production of textiles and garments. Using the Hecksher-Ohlin theorem, analyze the potential comparative advantage of Ghana in manufacturing and discuss the implications for its trade patterns. [25]
3. Mozambique has signed a major deal with a foreign company to export natural gas to Europe. Using the concepts of terms of trade and balance of payments, analyze the potential impact of this deal on Mozambique's economy. [25]
4. The African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) aims to promote economic integration and cooperation among African countries. Using the concept of regional trade agreements, analyze the potential benefits and challenges of the AfCFTA for member countries. [25]
5. Analyze the impact of tariffs on the economy of a small country like Swaziland, using the concept of protectionism/mercantilism [25]

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