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**Bachelor of Science (Hons) Degree in Development Studies: Part 2
Semester 1**

COURSE CODE : ADS 214
COURSE TITLE : Disaster Management
DURATION : 3 Hours
DATE : 24 SEP 2025

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. You have been tasked to address policymakers on the link between disasters and development. Write a paper assessing what legislative measures can be enacted to ensure that disaster preparedness and response are prioritized as integral components of sustainable development initiatives.
2. You are the Executive Director of the Civil Protection and Disaster Risk Reduction Commission in Zimbabwe. In the aftermath of successive debilitating disasters and in the context of community rehabilitation, you have been asked by Parliament to come up with a Disaster Early Warning System. In your design, consider the following factors:
 - a) Funding of the system.
 - b) Mitigation against disaster effects.
 - c) Stakeholder involvement.
3. As a development consultant, design a community-based disaster risk reduction program that incorporates gender mainstreaming principles. Outline key activities and explain how these promote gender equality and inclusivity in disaster management.
4. Write a report to the Office of the President and the Cabinet (OPC) in Zimbabwe showing how communities can identify and mobilize their local skills and materials to develop sustainable livelihoods and income-generating activities during recovery.
5. During a parliamentary budget session, you are asked to justify an increase in the disaster management budget. Some members argue that investing in agriculture, education, and infrastructure is more important. Write a report explaining, with practical examples, how disasters can reverse development gains in these sectors if risk reduction is not mainstreamed into development planning.

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