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2023_1 POP EXAMINATION.**

COURSE TITLE: DEVELOPMENT ECONOMICS I

COURSE CODE: ECO 347

UNITS: 2.

TIME ALLOWED: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTION: ANSWER THREE (3) QUESTIONS. Question one is compulsory.

1(a) According to Harrod- Domar models, investment plays a key role in the process of economic growth. Discuss.(**5marks**)

1(b) Mention five (5) assumptions of the Harrod- Domar models. (**5marks**)

1(c) Explain the following concepts (i) Laissez- faire(ii) Rostow's Drive to Maturity stage (iii) Division of Labour (iv) Sustainable development (v) Stationary state as explained by Adam Smith's theory.(**2marks each**)

1(d) What are the similarities and dissimilarities between balanced growth and unbalanced growth theories? (**10marks**)

2(a) Whatever goal(s) a society pursue, development in every society must have at least three objectives. What are these objectives? (9 marks)

2(b) Adam Smith, David Ricardo, Thomas Malthus and John Stuarts Mill are all proponents of a particular theory of development. State the general name given to their development theories and briefly summarise their works put together. (**11marks**)

3(a) Differentiate between economic growth and economic development, bearing in mind their definitions, effects, applicability or relevance, concepts and measurements. (**10marks**)

3(b) Economic development can be hindered by both economic and non-economic constraints. Discuss. (**10marks**)

4(a) Economic growth is said to be a precondition for development. However, growth can take place without it leading to development. Discuss. (**10marks**)

4(b) Despite the criticisms faced by Karl Marx's theory, the theory still has some important qualities and these qualities have made it to be seen today as a relevant growth theory to developing countries. How is this theory relevant to a country like Nigeria? (**10 marks**).