



**NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA
FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS
2023_1 POP EXAMINATION.**

COURSE TITLE: DEVELOPMENT ECONOMICS

COURSE CODE: ECO 714

UNITS: 2

TIME ALLOWED: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTION: ANSWER THREE (3) QUESTIONS. QUESTION ONE IS COMPULSORY.

1(a) State ten (10) critical questions relating to the economics of the developing world which the study of development economic would help us understand. **(10marks)**

1(b) The endogenous growth theory has important policy implications for developing economies. Identify and explain five (5) of these policy implications.**(10marks)**

1(c) Briefly explain the following terms (i) Zero economic growth (ii) Capital formation (iii) Foreign trade (iv) Economic Development (v) The Vicious Cycle of Poverty. **(2marks each)**

2(a) Identify and explain the sources of economic growth in a country. **(10marks)**

2(b) In a tabular form, differentiate between developed and developing countries. **(10marks)**

3(a) Identify four (4) major assumptions of the surplus labour theory and state four (4) criticisms of the theory. **(10marks)**

3(b) Developing countries differ from one other, but there are common features present in all of them. Outline these common features. **(10marks)**

4(a) List and explain the different methods of measuring economic growth. **(10marks)**

4(b) Identify and explain five (5) major reasons for low rate of capital formation in a less developed country like Nigeria. **(10marks)**