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2024 1 EXAMINATION**

COURSE CODE: PAD 810

COURSE TITLE: Public Policy Analysis

CREDIT UNITS: 3

TIME ALLOWED: 3Hrs

INSTRUCTIONS: 1. Attempt four (4) questions in All, Question one (1) and any other three (3)
2. Question number 1 is compulsory and carries 25 marks, while the other questions carry 15 marks each
3. Present all your points in coherent and orderly manner

Q1a Outline the Barriers to rational decision making (10 Marks)

Q1b Explain the Deficiencies of Rationalism--gap between planning and implementation (5 Marks)

Q1c Explain the concept of Rationalism (10 Marks)

Q2a The origins of the structural-functional Theory back to earlier applications of functionalism and systems models. Discuss (10 marks)

Q2b Explain the underlying assumptions of structural-functional theory

1. According to Gauba (2003)
2. According to Varmas (2003) and
3. According to Almond (5 Marks)

Q3a Do a critique of the structural functionalist perspective theory. Discuss (7.5 marks)

Q3b Explain the basic assumption of the institutional theory (7.5 Marks)

Q4 State the assumptions of institutions theory According to Campbell, (1998) (15 marks)

Q5 The framework of the many different governmental institutions has an effect on the context in which public policy is formulated. Discuss (15 Marks)