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BSC III SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, POLICY & PLANNING
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INSTRUCTIONS:

- *Read the question paper carefully.*
- *Answer only **FOUR (4)** questions.*
- *All questions carry equal marks.*

Question One

- (a) Describe the concept of “Economic Development” and give reasons as to why Uganda is relatively from the global perspective despite its remarkable growth rates. **(15Mark)**
- (b) Briefly explain “Human Development Index” method used for estimating the level economic development in a country. **(10 Marks)**

Question Two

- (a) Describe the concept of “sustainable development” and its pillars **(5 Marks)**
- (b) With reasons explain why sustainable development may not be possible in Uganda. **(10 Marks)**
- (c) What development strategies should Uganda adopt for sustainable development in her economy? **(10 Marks)**

Question Three

- (a) Briefly describe the Harrod-Domar growth model and its limitations in developing nations like Uganda. **(15 Marks)**
- (b) Basing your arguments on Harrod-Domar model, discuss critical determinants of economic growth in developing economies. **(10 Marks)**
- (c) Examine factors constraining the growth and survival of SMEs in Uganda. **(10 marks)**

Question Four

- (a) Capital formation is a prerequisite for trade and development. State the sources of capital formation and its role in economic development. **(15 marks)**
- (b) SMEs are avenues for capital accumulation yet they are constrained in developing nations. Using relevant examples, examine the factors constraining the growth and survival of SMEs in Uganda. **(10 marks)**

Question Five

- (a) Explain the concept of *absolute poverty* and its causes in Uganda. **(15 Marks)**
- (b) Poverty in Africa is said to highly feminized and rural based in nature. Basing your arguments on this statement, suggest appropriate policy measures for alleviation rural poverty in Uganda. **(10 Marks)**

Question Six

Economic policy and planning are prerequisites for sustainable economic development in any country irrespective of the nature of its economic system under which it operates.

Required:

- (a) Describe the concepts of “economic policy” and economic planning. **(5marks)**
- (b) State the qualities/principles of a good economic policy. **(10 marks)**
- (c) Using relevant examples from Uganda, examine the common causes of policy failure in developing nations. **(10 Marks)**

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