

NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TECHNICAL, VOCATIONAL AND OTHER ACADEMIC AWARDS  
Republic of Sierra Leone



PROGRAMME: HIGHER TEACHERS CERTIFICATE (SECONDARY) EXAMINATION- 2023

SUBJECT: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT STUDIES I

Duration: 3hrs

Date: 12<sup>th</sup> September, 2023

INSTRUCTION(S): Answer any Five (5) Questions.

1. Community Development involves understanding the community people, their beliefs and values, the social and cultural norms that shaped their lives. It includes engaging communities and listening to them (adults and children) as they identify their problems, propose solutions and act upon them. Based on this practice of community development, explain how you can implement a named development project in a remote rural community relating to government **BIG FIVE** Agenda.
2. Every society/community has Cultural beliefs and Traditional practices.
  - a. Identify any two (2) cultural beliefs/practices that you think are good and explain how they can promote community development.
  - b. Name any two (2) of such beliefs/practices and justify how you think they are barriers to community development.
3.
  - a. Examine the role of climate change as a driver of migration in Africa.
  - b. Discuss five (5) challenges and opportunities associated with climate-induced migration for affected communities in Africa.
  - c. Explore five (5) impacts of changing weather patterns on agricultural practices and propose sustainable solutions.
4. 'KUSH' (a cheap new illegal drug) has become a menace to our society and is ravaging our communities - especially the youths.
  - a. Highlight three (3) reasons why kush is popular among the youths.
  - b. Give three (3) ways its consumption impacts the youths.
  - c. Discuss five (5) ways to curb this social menace.
5. Feed Salone is the new agricultural policy of the Government of Sierra Leone. You have been asked to advise the Minister of Agriculture.
  - a. Who will be the direct beneficiaries?
  - b. Provide three (3) specific goals of the project.
  - c. Give four (4) challenges that you anticipate.
  - d. How will the project be sustainable?
  - e. State three (3) impacts the project will make on the beneficiaries?
6.
  - a. Evaluate five (5) roles of communication in the achievement of education initiatives.
  - b. Analyze four (4) roles of social media in spreading misinformation and disinformation, and in three (3) ways, discuss how this poses a challenge to achieving SDG 4 (Quality Education).
7.
  - a. Discuss five (5) challenges of providing clean water and sanitation services in rural areas and propose five (5) solutions to improve access and hygiene practices (one for each).
  - b. Discuss three (3) disparities in healthcare services between rural and urban areas and propose five (5) solutions to enhance healthcare access and quality in rural communities.