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DS 113: Seminar Questions for Semester II, 2017/2018

Science, Technology, and Innovation for Development

1. Discuss how the acquisition of Technological Capabilities is critical in the efforts towards reducing poverty in Tanzania and similar countries in Africa.
2. Poor economic performance in sub-Saharan Africa can be attributed to low level of investments in science and technology by African governments. Discuss this statement with examples.

Rural and Urban Development

3. In theory, agriculture and rural development initiatives counts a lot in national development but in practice this is not necessarily the case. Discuss.
4. Rural-urban linkage exists in a number of dimensions. Outline any four of them and discuss the level of their development in any African country of your choice.

Industrial Development

5. What role should industry play in Tanzania's efforts towards building a middle income economy by the year 2025?
6. "Sustainable industrialization in African countries is largely dependent on consolidation of all forms of capital from human to financial." Critically discuss this statement.

Population and Development

1. Critically evaluate President Emmanuel Macron's perspective on Africa demographic trend, which categorically asserts that sustained higher fertility of 7 or 8 children per woman in the continent should be viewed as civilizational problem requiring an African Marshall Plan.
2. Using population theories, discuss the tangled relationships between population and development.

HIV/AIDS and Its Implications on Development

3. With concrete examples, critically discuss why HIV/AIDS is referred to as a global development challenge.
4. Critically analyse strategies which have been put in place by the government of Tanzania to combat HIV/AIDS.

Entrepreneurship and Development

5. Why is entrepreneurship important for a national development? Discuss the conditions necessary for entrepreneurship development in any African country of your choice.
6. Discuss the challenges encountered by developing countries like Tanzania in cultivating of entrepreneurial mind-set among the youths and suggest remedial measures.