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COURSE CODE: AEM506

COURSE TITLE: Advanced Rural Sociology

Credit Units : 3

TIME ALLOWED: 3 Hrs

INSTRUCTIONS: i. Answer FIVE questions in all
ii. All questions attract equal marks **(20 MARK EACH)**

1a. Define the term rural sociology and what is the concept of rural sociology to developing country e.g. Nigeria.

1b. Explain the conflict sociological theory; and how did the proponents of conflict theory view the theory?

2a. There are various sources of resistance to change by the people for whom such change is intended. These factors could be of assistance to the change agent. Explain any 5 (five).

2b. Briefly explain the factors causing the division of people into groups and societies.

3a. Write a brief note on these theories.

The Psychodynamics Theory

The Behaviorist Theory

The Diffusionist Theory

3b. What are the short fall of Psychodynamics and Behaviorist Theories.

4a. State the different forms in which social change can take.

4b. Briefly explain 6 (six) different types of changes and are imperative that the extension should get acquainted.

5a. Elucidate (5) factors that is conducive to change within a social system.

5b. Briefly explain any (2) two of the following in relation to dimensions of Social Change

(a) Economic change (b) technological change (c) cultural change (d) behavioral change.

6a. Draw the model for change in behavior through change in attitudes.

6b. Discuss at least five (5) general factors that can resist adoption of change in the rural societies.

7. Explain the methods used in collecting data for social change.

7b. Define group dynamic and explain five stages of group development.