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SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2013 EXAMINATION

AEM: 504 RURAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (3 Credit Units)
                    ANSWER ANY 5 QUESTIONS (25 Marks each)
TIME: 2 1\2 HOURS

1a. What is the meaning of community development.

1b. What are the rational for rural community development?

1c. List the problems of rural community development in Nigeria.

2a. What are the social indicator for a developed society.

2b. Explain the view of Charles Tilley on modernization.
2c. What are the objectives of development?

3. Briefly explain the following theories.
a. Structural Differentiation Theory.
b. Equilibrium and Conflict Theory.
c. Modernisation Theory.

3b. What are the benefits of these theories?

4a. Briefly critique these theories:
i. Symbolic Interaction.
ii. Ethno Methodology.
iii. Exchange Theory.

5a. Distinguish between a typical Yoruba and Igbo settlement.
5b. Enumerate some of the advantages and disadvantages of cluster town or village.
5c. What is innovation? State the objectives of innovation to human existence.

6a. There are five basic dimension of innovation, explain briefly.
6b. Discuss the Contract–Farming Approach.

7a. What are the problems that plague agriculture and rural development in developing

countries?

7b. How can you as agricultural extension solve the problem?