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**FIRST SEMESTER POP EXAMINATION, 2019**

**COURSE: AEM 506: Advanced Rural Sociology**

**Credit Unit: 2**

**Time Allowed: 2 Hours**

**Instruction: Answer question 1 (25 mks) and any other Three (3) questions (15 mks each)**

1a i. State the concept of Rural Sociology **2marks**

ii. Identify three (3) significance of rural sociology to the society. **3marks**

b i. List the five (5) factors causing the division of people into groups and societies. **2 ½ marks**

ii. Give the definition of social change. **2 ½ marks**

c i. What are the three (3) forms of data collection for measurement of social change? **3marks**

ii. Define group dynamics. **2marks**

d i. List Tuckman’s five (5) stages of group development. **2 ½ marks**

ii. What do you understand by group norms? **2 ½ marks**

e i. Mention the four (4) characteristics of rural settlements. **2marks**

ii. Identify six (6) key policy components needed to reduce problems of rural society. **3marks**

2 a. Briefly explain the diffusionist theory opinion or emphasis to social change in the society.

**7½ mks**

b. Outline the five (5) characteristics of change process. **7½ marks**

3 a. Discuss five (5) sources of social change in the society. 10 **marks**

b. Give a clear definition of attitude change. 5 **marks**

4 a. Explain five (5) factors conducive for change in social systems. 10 **marks**

b. Mention five (5) general factors affecting acceptance to change in the society. **5 marks**

5 a. Clearly state six (6) ways in which rural poverty is created in the society. **9marks**

b. To design effective policies for reducing rural poverty, what are the four (4) major groups to be focus? **6marks**

6 a. States clearly why we need extension education to solve problems of rural societies? **5marks**

b. Mention five (5) major factors that affects resistance to change from the change/innovation itself. 10 **marks**