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Faculty of Agricultural Sciences, Dept. of Agricultural Economics and Extension,

PoP Examination Questions, October/November, 2019

Course Title: Advanced Rural Sociology

Course Code: AEM 506

Time Allow: 3 Hours

Credit Unit: 3

Instruction; answer question one (1) (30) and any other four (4) questions (10 marks each).

1. (a) i. Give a clear definition of the concept of sociology. **3 marks**
ii. Outline three importance of rural sociology to developing countries. **3 marks**
(b) Clearly identify (5) characteristics of conflict theory in analyzing society. **5 marks**
(c) i. Define social structure. **3 ½**
ii. Enumerate three (3) characteristics of a kingship group in the society. **4 ½**
(d) (i) State three (3) reasons why many rural people live in abject poverty. **3 marks**
(ii) Differentiate between rural and urban settlement in the area of network transportation and economy. **3 marks**
(e) (i) List any two (2) theory of group development. **2 marks**
(ii) Mention three (3) sources of resistance to change by the people for whom such changes are intended. **3 marks** **(= 30 Marks)**
2. (a) Clearly explain five (5) sources of social change in the society. **7 ½marks**
(b) What is rural sociology? **2 ½ marks**
- 3 (a) Outline vividly the argument put forward by the behaviorists theory in relation to change. **8marks**
(b) Mention four (4) theories of social change. **2marks**
4. Write short note on the following:
(a) Planned and Unplanned change. **5marks**
(b) Segmental and Total change. **5marks**
5. (a) Analyze four (4) characteristics of change process. **6marks**
(b) Differentiate between information and enlightenment data (4 mks)
6. (a) Discuss **cultural change** and **technological change** as dimensions of social change. **5marks**
(b) Identify five (5) sources of resistance to change by the people. **5marks**
7. (a) List four (4) characteristics of rural settlement. **4marks**
(b) Describe rural poverty. **3 marks**
(c).Clearly outline three (3) policies for reducing rural poverty in the society. **3marks**