

NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF LESOTHO
BURP SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS
GES2313: URBAN FUTURES

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MARKS: 100

TIME: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER QUESTION ANY 4 QUESTIONS

QUESTION 1

- i) What do you understand by the New International Division of Labour (NIDL)? (10)
- ii) Using an example of a city of your choice in the Global North, discuss the innovative strategy(ies) [either service or entrepreneurial] that your chosen city has had to develop in order to compensate for economic losses that occurred as a result of the NIDL? [15] [25]

QUESTION 2

- i) What do you understand by urbanisation? (5)
- ii) With the aid of examples from your reading, describe the emerging and future patterns of urbanisation at global (Global North vs. Global South) levels [20] [25]

QUESTION 3

With reference to the UN-Habitat World Cities Report (2020), and using appropriate examples of relevant cities, narrate the important issues that emerge under the following three key findings:

- i) Urban areas can enhance social inclusion and reduce poverty (8)
- ii) The informal economy has become the lifeblood of many cities in developing countries (8)
- iii) Urban economies drive the performance of national economies (9) [25]

QUESTION 4

- i) Name the 3 Phases of a typical urbanisation cycle as outlined by Pacione (1990) (3)
- ii) Briefly outline what happens in each of the 3 phases of the urbanisation cycle (15)
- iii) In which phase of the urbanisation cycle would you place the urbanisation process that is currently taking place in Sub-Saharan Africa and why? (7) [25]

QUESTION 5

Provide comprehensive notes of between 200-250 words on each of the concepts below:

- i) Counter-Urbanisation (5)
- ii) Poly-Centric City (5)
- iii) Polarisation Reversal (5)
- iv) Urban deconcentration (5)
- v) Re-Urbanisation (5)[25]

QUESTION 6

Provide comprehensive notes of between 200-250 words on each of the concepts below:

- i) The Law of the Primate city/Primacy (5)
- ii) Tertiarisation of Third World Cities (5)
- iii) Over-urbanisation (5)
- iv) Reserve army of labour (5)
- v) Exo-urbanisation (5) **[25]**