NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF LESOTHO

FACULTY OF EDUCATION

B. ED. (PRIMARY) PROGRAMME FINAL EXAMINATIONS

COURSE CODE & NAME: BEP 411 GROUP DYNAMICS

DATE: JULY 2023 TIME: 3 HOURS MARKS: 100

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. THERE IS A TOTAL OF SIX (6) QUESTIONS IN THIS PAPER.
- 2. ANSWER ONLY FOUR QUESTIONS.
- 3. EACH QUESTION CARRIES 25 MARKS
- 4. NUMBER YOUR QUESTIONS AS IN THE QUESTION PAPER

Question 1

Spending time alone, away from others, can be a rejuvenating, pleasurable experience. You get to discover who you are, determine who you want to be, meditate...and reflect (Pedersen, 1999). On the contrary, Aristotle famously suggested that man is by nature a social being and an unsocial person who is unsocial naturally and not accidentally is either unsatisfactory or superhuman. Of the **two** opinions above, which one do you feel best describes a normal human being? (25 Marks)

Question 2

Critically describe the core attributes of an effective team and the strategies you would implement to develop team dynamics that can benefit your school.

(25 Marks)

Question 3

a. Define the term conflict.

(2 Marks)

b. Mention any **three** causes of conflict?

(3 Marks)

c. Briefly describe how conflict can be resolved if it emerges within a group to ensure that group goals are not compromised. (20 Marks)

Question 4

Critically discuss Tuckman's theory of group development.

(25 Marks)

Question 5

a. How does a formal group differ from an informal group?

(5 marks)

b. Discuss the merits of formal and informal groups in organizations.

(20 Marks)

Question 6

Explain the roles played by team leaders in effective teams.

(25 Marks)