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Course Code: ---- ARD 506

Course Title: --- Advanced Rural Sociology

Credit Unit: ----2

Total Score: ----70 Marks Time Allowed: - 2 Hrs

Instruction: Answer compulsory question 1 (25 mks) and any three (3) questions (15 mks each)

Question One

a. What is rural sociology? (3 Marks)

- b. State four (4) importance of the study of rural sociology to any developing country like Nigeria (6 mks)
- c. State four (4) characteristics of the change process (6 Marks)
- d. Explain briefly the two (2) classification of groups you know (4 Marks).
- e. Mention and discuss four (4) characteristics of change or innovation (6 Marks).

Question Two

Explain the following sociological theories:

- (i). Conflict theory (5 mks)
- (ii). Evolutionary theory (5 mks)
- (iii). Functional theory. (5 mks)

Question Three

- a. Define group dynamics (4 Marks)
- b. Mention and discuss four (4) sources of social change (8 Marks).
- c. Highlight six (6) types of social change that take place in our society (3 mks)

Question Four

- a. Mention and discuss four (4) factors causing the division of people into groups and societies (10 mks)
- b. List and briefly discuss any two (2) major indicators used for measuring social change in our societies (5 mks)

Question Five

- a. State three (3) aims of sociology
- b. Briefly discuss any three (3) factors that affect acceptance of change (6 mks)
- c. Explain any four (4) forms or dimensions social change can take or assume in our society (6 mks)

Question Six

- a. Explain what you know about social structure in rural society (5 mk)
- b. Mention and discuss the five (5) stages of group development according to Tuckmans theory (10 mks)