



**National Open University of Nigeria**  
**Faculty of Science**  
**2020\_1 EXAMINATIONS**

**COURSE CODE:** ESM 308  
**COURSE TITLE:** Rural Development  
**CREDIT UNITS:** 2  
**TIME ALLOWED:** 2 Hours

**Instruction:** Attempt question number ONE (1) and any other THREE (3) questions. Question number one (1) carries 25 marks, while the other questions carry (15) marks each.

- 1a. Define the term rural dwellers [1 mark]  
1b. State the problems of rural dwellers [3 marks]  
1c. Enumerate the characteristics of rural dwellers in Nigeria [2 marks]  
1di. What are the main issues of rural families in Nigeria? [3 marks]  
ii. What are the characteristics of rural settlements in Nigeria? [3 marks]  
iii. Describe the effects of urbanization on rural settlements [3 marks]  
1ei. State the pattern of rural settlement in Nigeria [4 marks]  
ii. Describe the building patterns of the rural settlements [4 marks]  
f. List important points about the rural village [2 marks]
- 2a. What are the neighborhood needs of rural dwellers? [2 marks]  
2b. State three agricultural needs of the rural Nigerians [3 marks]  
2c. State the problems of rural neglect in rural Nigerians [4 marks]  
2d. How can rural needs be met? [2 marks]  
2e. Define the term infrastructure [4 marks]
- 3a. State the importance of infrastructure [2 marks]  
3b. What are the relevance of infrastructures to the development of rural dwellers? [3 marks]  
3c. Enumerate the social benefits of infrastructure [4 marks]  
3d. List the components of rural infrastructure [2 marks]  
3e. What are the roles of Non-Governmental Organizations [NGOs]? [4 marks]
- 4a. What is a community? [2 marks]  
4b. What are the components of scientific communities? [3 marks]  
4c. Name the types of communities [4 marks]  
4d. Define the term photocoenosis [2 marks]  
e. What is community development? [4 marks]
- 5a. Name the approaches of community development [2 marks]  
5b. Name the models of community development [3 marks]  
5c. Name the criteria for the determination of rural areas [4 marks]  
5d. Define rural areas using international body criteria [2 marks]  
5e. Name the relevance of community development in rural areas [4 marks]