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**2024 1 EXAMINATION**

**COURSE TITLE: RURAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIES**

**COURSE CODE: ESM 308**

**CREDIT UNIT: 2 UNIT**

**TIME: 2:30MINS**

**INSTRUCTION: Answer question one (1) & attempt any other two (2) questions. Question one (1) is compulsory and carries 30 marks. While any other two (2) answers attract 20 marks each. With total of 70 marks**

- 1a. State the constraints limiting the performance of Community-Based Organisations in Nigeria. (10 marks)
- 1b. What is community development and their relevance to rural settlements? (10 marks)
- 1c. Rural areas are overwhelmed with traits of underdevelopment, poverty, lack of education, lack of infrastructure, and inexperienced homogeneous population. What is the relevance of community development in this type of settlement? (10 marks)
- 2a. Describe the attributes of Non-governmental Organisations in Nigeria (10 marks)
- 2b. List the agents of community development (5 marks)
- 2c. Highlight five aims of community development strategy. (5 marks)
- 3a. What are the benefits of the Community-Based Organisations to Local communities? (10 marks)
- 3b. How can you identify a Community-Based Organisation? (10 marks)
- 4a. Highlight different models of community development (10 marks)
- 4b. What are the functional areas of NGOs in Nigeria? (10 marks)
- 5a. Define the following terms:
- i. Need (5 marks)
  - ii. Infrastructure (5 marks)
- 5b. List ten information needs of Nigerian rural communities. (10 marks)