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**Course Title: Advance Rural Sociology**

**Course Code: ARD 506**

**Credit Unit: 2 Units**

**Total Score: 70 Marks**

**Time Allowed: 2 Hours**

**INSTRUCTION: Answer compulsory question 1 (25 marks) and any other 3 questions (15 marks each).**

- 1a. Define 'Sociology'? (5 marks)
- 1b. List three (3) sociological theories. (5 marks)
- 1c. Briefly describe any three (3) forms in which social change may take in a society (9 marks)
- 1d. Give four (4) examples each for the following indicators (6 marks)
  - i. Social indicators;
  - ii. economic indicators;
  - iii. demographic indicators
  
- 2a. Write short notes on the following: (9 marks)
  - i. Classic Theory (3 marks)
  - ii. Social exchange theory (3 marks)
  - iii. Social identity theory (3 marks)
- 2b List and discuss three (3) distinguishing features of rural settlements (6 marks);
  
- 3a Mention five (5) characteristics of a farm innovation that affects its adoption (5 marks)
- 3b Discuss four (4) dimension of social change within the context of the Nigerian economy (10 marks)
  
- 4a Distinguish between patrilineal and matrilineal system of inheritance (5 marks)
- 4b Using the Tuckmans theory, expatiate on the five (5) stages of group development (10 marks)
  
- 5a Define social change given relevant examples. (6 marks)
- 5b Discuss any two (2) sociological theories (9 marks)
  
- 6a Social change is facilitated by several factors. Discuss any four (4) of such factors given relevant examples. (8 marks)
- 6b Discuss the '*Functional model*' of society, noting its merits and demerits (7 marks)