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**2025\_1 EXAMINATION...**

**Course Title: WOMEN AND YOUTHS IN RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES**

**Course Code: AEM732**

**Credit Unit: 2**

**Time Allowed: 2 Hours**

**Instruction: Answer question 1 and any other two (2) questions.**

1. (a). Outline five (5) characteristics of rural areas in Nigeria **5 marks**  
(b). Expatriate on the factors that must be put into consideration in restructuring policies on rural youth. **15 marks**  
(c). Mention six (6) services that a well organise service cooperative could provide. **4 marks**  
(d). Explain briefly how entrepreneurship is good for rural women. **6 marks**

**Total= 30marks**

2. (a). Identify five( 5) set of working rules that cooperatives are built upon. **5marks**  
(b). Discuss two (2) major hindrances to women pursuing vocational training. **6marks.**  
(c). Briefly explain the factors that must be taken into consideration as a vehicle for overcoming rural youth poverty in Nigeria. **9 marks**

**Total = 20marks**

3. (a). What do you understand by rural youth? **2 marks**  
(b). Discuss four (4) current issues and challenges of rural youths. **12marks.**  
(c). Mention four (4) Benefit or rural development programme in Nigeria. **6 marks**

**Total = 20marks**

4. (a). Briefly explain funding inadequacy of skills workers and general indiscipline as challenges to rural development programmes **12marks**  
(b). Identify four (4) sources of loan and micro finance for the poor. **4marks**  
©. Outline the four (4). Sources of debt financing **4marks**

**Total = 20marks**