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**THIRD YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF THE DEGREE OF
BACHELOR OF IN SOCIAL WORK AND SOCIOLOGY/GENDER STUDIES
FIRST SEMESTER 2021/2022
[JUNE-SEPTEMBER, 2022]**

AGED 333: RURAL SOCIOLOGY

STREAM: Y3 S1

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY: TUESDAY, 12:00 – 2:00 PM

DATE: 13/09/2022

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Do not write anything on this question paper.**
- 2. Answer question ONE (Compulsory) and any other TWO questions.**

QUESTION ONE

- Explain the concept of rural sociology according to AR Desai (5**marks**)
- Discuss the development and importance of rural sociology (5**marks**)
- Examine the role of rural sociology in understanding and solving problems (5**marks**)
- Discuss the salient features of rural sociology and its importance in Kenyan context (5**marks**)
- Discuss the scope and need for rural sociology in Kenya (5**marks**)
- State the ecological factors which influence the life of persons in your village. (5**marks**)

QUESTION TWO

- Discuss the five characteristics of culture. (10**marks**)
- Discuss the relative merits and demerits of the community and natural approach in the study of rural life. (10**marks**)

QUESTION THREE

- a) What is the community approach in the study of sociology? **(12marks)**
- b) How does it differ from others? **(8marks)**

QUESTION FOUR

- a) Write short notes on rural sociology and sociology. **(10marks)**
- b) Discuss the relationship between rural sociology and anthropology. **(10marks)**

QUESTION FIVE

- a) Distinguish between rural sociology and archaeology. **(10marks)**
- b) What are the factors leading to the growth of rural community? **(10marks)**