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UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF THE DEGREE OF
MASTER OF ARTS IN SOCIOLOGY AND CRIMINOLOGY
SECOND SEMESTER 2023/2024
[JANUARY – APRIL, 2024]

SOCI 823: SOCIAL CHANGE AND COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

STREAM: Y1 S2

TIME: 3 HOURS

DAY: MONDAY, 3:00 - 6:00 P.M.

DATE: 13/05/2024

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Do not write anything on this question paper.***
- 2. Answer any THREE Questions.***

1. Compare and contrast the evolutionary theory and conflict theory in explaining social change. How do they differ in their assumptions about the mechanisms and driving forces of societal transformation?
(20 Marks)
2. How does technological advancement contribute to the process of modernization and the transformation of social structures and institutions?
(20 Marks)
3. How does symbolic interactionism explain social change at the micro-level of analysis? Provide examples of how shifts in symbolic meanings and interactions contribute to broader changes in society. (20 Marks)
4. Analyze the implications of world-systems theory for understanding global social change. How does the world-system framework explain patterns of economic development, inequality, and dependency among nations?
(20 Marks)
5. a). Explore the relationship between social change and social movements and the emergence, dynamics, and outcomes of collective action for social change. (10 Marks)
b). Discuss the relevance of postmodern perspectives in understanding contemporary processes of social change. (20 Marks)