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**FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF
ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES (COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT)**

**ECD 500: ENVIRONMENT AND PHILOSOPHY OF COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT**

DATE: Monday 24th November, 2008

TIME: 2.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer question one and any other three.

1. The integration of environment into Economic Development and Poverty Reduction Strategies (EDPRS) is central to sustainable Community development.
 - a) What is mainstreaming and why is it important? [5 marks]
 - b) Demonstrate using a case study how EDPRS can mainstream environmental issues in development. [15 marks]
 - c) Explain NEMAs role in mainstreaming environment in development in Kenya. [5 marks]
2. Discuss the following concepts of community development
 - a) Environment as a life-support system. [5 marks]
 - b) Development Ethics. [5 marks]
 - c) Resource use and management paradigms. [5 marks]
3. Addressing environmental issues that matter to the poor is critical to sustained poverty reduction and achieving MDGs. Discuss this with regard to:
 - a) Environmental Management and development Policy Frameworks
 - b) Governance
 - c) Enhancing assets of the poor
 - d) Improving the quality of growth [15 marks]

4. Discuss and illustrate using local examples the linkages between ecology and community livelihoods. [15 marks]
5. a) Using examples from three different African communities/regions discuss existing gaps in environmental management.
b) To what extent has the GEF small Grants Programme managed to address these gaps. [15 marks]
6. a) Explain why Development co-operation and partnership is currently emphasized in sustainable development. [7 marks]
b) Government/NGO roles in development are complementary and indispensable. Expound on this statement. [8 marks]

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