



KENYATTA UNIVERSITY

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FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF PUBLIC POLICY AND ADMINISTRATION

APP 803: DEVOLVED GOVERNMENT

DATE: Wednesday 30th November 2016

TIME: 5.30p.m-8.30p.m

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer Question 1 and any other 2 questions

1. Liberal theories have argued for privatization of state services to the extent that the state provides only essential services. Yet experience shows that privatization or contracting out have been shown to undermine some of the aims of decentralized government such as achieving equity and public engagement. Discuss the argument for economic or market devolution. (20 marks)
2. Separation of powers is a vital and important aspect of devolved government. Power can be devolved vertically or horizontally within the devolved structure of government. Explain the structure of devolved government in Kenya and how the structure entails horizontal and vertical separation of power. (20 marks)
3. Citing relevant examples and laws explain the purpose and importance of intergovernmental relations in devolved government. (20 marks)
4. Discuss the constitutional mandate of the commission of Revenue Allocation and explain the challenges it has faced in steering the fiscal devolution process in Kenya. (20 marks)
5. Some scholars have observed that devolution is not a panacea to all problems and that it in fact poses certain serious risks. Citing relevant examples discuss this statement. (20 marks)