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FIRST SEMESTER 2025/2026 ACADEMIC YEAR

**SECOND YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE
OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT**

CDEV 215: PARTICIPATORY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

STREAM: R

TIME: 2 HRS

DAY: TUESDAY [8.30 A.M-10.30 A.M] ***DATE: 03/02/2026***

THIS QUESTION PAPER CONSISTS OF THREE (3) PAGES

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INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question one (COMPULSORY) and any other two questions.

QUESTION ONE (30marks)

- a) Briefly explain the following theories in relation to participatory community development **(6 Marks)**
- i) Modernization theory
 - ii) Marxist theory
 - iii) Dependency theory
- b) Explain how the following methods are used to generate data in Participatory Rural Appraisal (PRA) exercises. **(15 Marks)**
- i) Transect walk
 - ii) Venn diagrams
 - iii) Community/ Social mapping
 - iv) Wealth ranking
 - v) Livelihood analysis
- c) Briefly explain how the following methods can be used to collect data for participatory evaluation **(9Marks)**
- i) Focus Group Discussions (FGDs)
 - ii) Key Informants
 - iii) Questionnaires
 - iv)

QUESTION TWO

- a) Explain the concept of ‘peoples’ participation in development’. **(4Marks)**
- b) Using relevant examples, explain the ‘process-oriented’ or the ‘people centered’ participatory development approach **(6Marks)**
- c) Discuss **two** assumptions underlying participatory approaches **(4Marks)**
- d) Briefly discuss **three** factors that explain the origin of Participatory Rural Appraisal (PRA) approach **(6Marks)**

QUESTION THREE

- a) Using appropriate examples, briefly explain participatory planning **(4Marks)**
- b) Discuss **four** activities that take place in participatory planning workshop **(16Marks)**

QUESTION FOUR

- a) Explain the **two** Participatory Technology Development (PTD) approaches that considered use of technology among farming communities **(10 Marks)**
- b) Discuss any **two** types of Participation in Technology Development (PTD) as highlighted by Biggs (1989) **(10Marks)**

QUESTION FIVE

- a) Briefly discuss **five** reasons why participatory evaluation should be conducted
(10 Marks)
- b) Explain **two** challenges encountered when conducting a participatory evaluation
(4 Marks)
- c) Using the criteria highlighted below, show the differences between ‘participatory evaluation’ and ‘conventional evaluation’
- i) When to do evaluation (3 Marks)
 - ii) The benefits of evaluation (3 Marks)