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1ST SEMESTER 2025/2026 ACADEMIC YEAR

EXAMINATIONS FOR THE POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN EDUCATION

EDF 712: SOCIOLOGY OF EDUCATION

STREAM: R

TIME: 2 HRS

DAY: FRIDAY (11.30AM-1.30PM)

DATE: 30/01/2026

THIS QUESTION PAPER CONSISTS OF THREE (2 PAGES)

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INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer question **ONE (Compulsory)** and any other **TWO** questions.

QUESTION ONE (20 MARKS)

(a) Explain the following terms as used in Sociology of Education:

- (i) Sociology (2 marks)
- (ii) Sociology of education (2 marks)
- (iii) Society (2 marks)
- (b) Explain five importance of Sociology of education (10 marks)
- (c) Describe any two sociological research methods (4 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- (a) Discuss the functional theory of Sociology and establish its application in education. (10 marks)
- (b) Describe any five elements of culture and their influence on Education in Kenya. (10 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- (a) Discuss five ways in which schools transmit culture. (10 marks)
- (b) Describe any five socialization challenges that may arise in school in Kenya. (10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- (a) Discuss five importance of socialization in education in Kenya. (10 marks)
- (b) Describe the impact of globalization on educational systems in Africa. (10 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- (a) Using examples discuss strengths and weaknesses of conflict theory in understanding educational inequalities in Kenya. (20 marks)