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FOURTH YEAR SECOND SEMESTER MAIN -REGULAR
EXAMINATIONS

**FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF
ARTS IN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

COURSE CODE: CMD 425

**COURSE TITLE: COOPERATIVES AND COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT**

DATE: 22/4/2024

TIME: 11.00 A.M- 2.00 P.M

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

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REGULAR MAIN EXAM
CMD 221: HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATION IN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
STREAM: CMD
DURATION: 3 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

- I. Answer Question ONE and any other TWO Questions.
- II. Do not write on the question paper.

QUESTION ONE

1. Elaborate what a cooperative society is and explain its key characteristics.

(5 marks)

2. List the seven cooperative principles as outlined by the International Cooperative Alliance (ICA)

(5 marks)

3. Differentiate between a cooperative society and a private enterprise in terms of ownership, governance, and objectives.

(10 marks)

4. Assess the 2 strengths and 3 weaknesses of cooperative movements in rural development

(10 marks)

QUESTION TWO

- a) Critically consider and assess the effectiveness of government policies in promoting cooperative development.

(10 marks)

- b) Discuss the historical evolution of cooperative movements in Kenya and their socioeconomic impact.

(10 marks)

QUESTION THREE

- i. Elaborate the following financial terms in the context of cooperatives: capital, dividends, surplus, and shares.

(5 marks)

- ii. Assess the financial risks and challenges faced by cooperatives and suggest mitigation strategies.

(15 marks)

QUESTION FOUR

- a. Examine the social, economic, and environmental contributions of cooperatives.

(10 marks)

- b. Discuss the different types of Cooperatives and how they cut across different sectors of economy

(10 marks)

QUESTION FIVE

- i. Identify any cooperative that you are familiar with and discuss its contribution to development of communities

[10 marks]

- ii. The day to day management of cooperative society's affairs is left to a small group of elected officials known as the management committee. Explain the rights and duties of the management committee of a cooperative society.

(10 marks)