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FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ECONOMICS &
STATISTICS

ECON -122: CONTEMPORARY ISSUES IN AFRICA

STREAM: ECON/STAT

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DAY: WEDNESDAY [8.30-10.50 A.M]

DATE: 17/04/2024

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INSTRUCTION: ANSWER THREE QUESTIONS.

QUESTION ONE IS COMPULSORY

Question One (30 Marks)

- a) Explain the concept of growth and development from Socio-economic perspective. **(5 Marks)**
- b) Explain how Economic institutions contribute to economic development of a country? **(5 Marks)**
- c) Explain the term “economic accelerator”. **(5 Marks)**
- d) explain how accelerators lead to economic growth trajectories in a country? **(5 Marks)**
- e) Outline an overview of the structure of Kenyan economy. **(10 Marks)**

Question Two (20 Marks)

- a) Outline strategies that public-private sector cooperation has put in place to address the following.
- i) Universal health in the country **(5 Marks)**
- ii) Youth empowerment. **(5 Marks)**
- b) Explain how the following actions may accelerate economic growth and transformation.
- i) Regional integration. **(5 Marks)**
- ii) International trade. **(5 Marks)**

Question Three (20 Marks)

- a) Explain the concept of housing policy in Kenya. **(5 Marks)**
- b) How does national hospital insurance fund policy instrumental in the management of economy’s health care. **(5 Marks)**
- c) Discuss the characteristics of rural healthcare in developing countries. **(5 Marks)**
- d)To what extent do they impede the growth of the rural sector economy? **(5 Marks)**

Question Four (20 Marks)

- a) Explain the main four components of the vision 2030. **(5 Marks)**

b) To what extent has the objectives in (a) above been realized **(5 Marks)**

c) To what extent has the big four agenda achieved its objectives in Kenya since its enforcement. **(10 Marks)**

Question Five (20 Marks)

a). Evaluate the effects of expanded tax-base on the contemporary Kenyan economy. **(10 marks)**

b) Discuss advantages of TVET as Human resource capacity development strategy for rural sector development in Kenya. **(10 Marks)**

