



COLLEGE OF BUSINESS, LEADERSHIP AND GOVERNANCE
MPM 217 LOCAL AND CENTRAL GOVERNMENT SYSTEMS
END OF FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

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DURATION: 3 HRS

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer **any four questions**

The marks allocated to each question or part of the question are shown at the end of each question.

Credit will be awarded for logical, systematic and neat presentations.

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QUESTION ONE

Write short but precise notes on any five of the following as applied in the module

Local and central government systems

- 1) Central government (5marks)
- 2) Local authorities (5 marks)
- 3) Centralization (5 marks)
- 4) Federal state (5 marks)
- 5) Mayor (5 marks)
- 6) Town Clerk or Town Secretary (5 marks)
- 7) Bye law (5 marks)
- 8) Councillor (5 marks)

Total (25 marks)

QUESTION TWO

Discuss and explain the concept and nature of relationship between central government and local government. Is it hostile, antagonistic or friendly? Discuss (25 marks)

QUESTION THREE

In spite of the fact that many African countries have introduced policy and legal reforms aimed at making local government autonomous(independent) and more democratic, this has not in most cases resulted in increased participation of people in local governance affairs and issue .Discuss and debate on the above statement. (25 marks)

QUESTIONS FOUR

As part of the decentralization policy many (local authorities) councils in most developing countries have been given powers and roles to carry out certain functions and roles by central government. List and discuss the reasons why many governments have adopted decentralization as a policy and development strategy. (25 marks)

QUESTION NUMBER FIVE

Outline the various services that are offered by local authorities and what factors impact the council's ability to uphold this principle of providing quality services to stakeholders. (15 marks)

If given power, how would you address the above? (10 marks)

Total (25 marks)

QUESTIONS SIX

6(a) The majority of roles and positions in local government are occupied by males. In your view why do you think this has been the case and is it necessary to have a gender balance in local authorities (councils)? (10 marks)

(b) What strategies should be put in place to address this issue of gender imbalance and marginalization in local government? (15 marks)

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