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NHSW206: Social Work with Communities

END OF FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

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DURATION: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This paper contains **ONE** section.
2. Answer **ANY THREE** questions.
3. Start each question on a new page in your booklet.
4. Do not repeat material.

1. Demonstrate the utility of the strengths-based approach to resolving the climate-induced challenges being faced by communities in developing countries.
2. With reference to a community of your choice, examine the core concepts of conscientisation, showcasing their capacity to enhance community social work.
3. You are a social worker in a low-income neighbourhood with high unemployment and substance abuse. A new, large corporate store is planned for a vacant lot, which some residents welcome for the jobs, while others fear it will displace local small businesses.
 - a) Identify the different stakeholder groups and their likely interests.
 - b) Outline the steps you would take to facilitate a community-led response.
4. “Participation is the cornerstone of effective community work, yet achieving genuine and inclusive participation is fraught with challenges” (Foundation for Development Initiative, 2024). With reference to case scenarios, critically discuss this statement.
5. Demonstrate the utility of the community development approach in enhancing social development.

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