



SCHOOL OF LAW

MCR1202: CHILD RIGHTS PROGRAMMING

END OF SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

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GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. Answer **ALL** questions.
2. Refer to **RELEVANT** authorities to support your arguments.

QUESTION 1

You have been appointed as a Programme Manager for an NGO implementing a child protection programme in rural communities. During fieldwork, a child discloses ongoing abuse by a community leader who is influential in the area.

Explain the ethical principles that should guide your response to this disclosure and discuss the ethical dilemmas that may arise and how you would address them while upholding the best interests of the child. **[50 Marks]**

QUESTION 1

A donor-funded project seeks to improve adolescent girls' access to education, but programme design was completed without consulting children.

- a. Discuss the concept of meaningful child participation and child agency in child rights programming. **[25 Marks]**
- b. Design a practical participation strategy showing how children can be involved at the stages of planning, implementation, and evaluation. Explain potential risks of tokenism and propose measures to ensure participation is safe, inclusive, and ethical. **[25 Marks]**