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END OF SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

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DURATION: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This paper contains **TWO** sections (Section A and Section B).
2. Section A is **COMPULSORY**.
3. Answer **ANY TWO (2)** questions from Section B.
4. Start each question on a new page in your booklet.
5. Credit will be awarded for logical, systematic and neat presentation
6. Do not repeat material.

SECTION A: COMPULSORY

INSTRUCTION: *Answer Question 1.*

Question 1

Case Scenario

In a rural African community, a successful entrepreneur is expected to financially support extended family members, contribute to community ceremonies, and assist neighbors during times of hardship. When the entrepreneur refuses to provide financial assistance, community members accuse them of being selfish and “forgetting their roots.”

Task

Using the concept of money as a social institution, analyse how cultural expectations, reciprocity, and social obligation shape the meaning and use of money in this community.

[40 Marks]

SECTION B

INSTRUCTION: *Answer ANY TWO (2) questions.*

Question 2

Discuss the social benefits and challenges of digital money in the context of African economies.

[30 Marks]

Question 3

Examine how social relationships shape individual attitudes and behaviours towards money across the life course.

[30 Marks]

Question 4

Assess how globalization and digital financial systems are transforming traditional cultural norms surrounding money.

[30 Marks]

Question 5

Analyse why informal savings groups and rotating credit associations continue to thrive in many African communities despite the expansion of formal banking systems.

[30 Marks]

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