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SOCIOLOGY

UNIT 1 – Paper 02

2 hours 30 minutes

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READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY.

1. This paper consists of SIX questions in THREE sections.
2. Each section contains TWO questions.
3. Answer THREE questions, ONE from EACH section.
4. Each question is worth 25 marks.

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SECTION A

MODULE 1 – SOCIOLOGICAL CONCEPTS, PERSPECTIVES AND METHODS

Answer ONE question from this section.

1. The Feminist perspective argues that since its origin, Sociology has highlighted the male viewpoint while neglecting to incorporate the opinions and experiences of the female population.

Discuss THREE feminist critiques levelled at the discipline of Sociology.

[25 marks]

2. You are asked to conduct research on domestic violence in the common-law family unit.

(a) Describe the research design you would use and provide a justification for your choice.

[17 marks]

(b) Explain TWO ethical issues that should be taken into consideration when conducting your research.

[8 marks]

SECTION B

MODULE 2 – SOCIAL INSTITUTIONS: FAMILY, RELIGION, EDUCATION

Answer ONE question from this section.

3. Using relevant examples to support your response, critically assess the extent to which the Functionalist theory of the family can be used to explain any THREE family forms in the Caribbean.

[25 marks]

4. It is the view of some sociologists that the education system ensures the maintenance of social inequality.

Critically assess this view with reference to a **named** Caribbean society over the past fifty years.

[25 marks]

SECTION C

MODULE 3 – SOCIAL STRATIFICATION

Answer ONE question from this section.

5. Compare and contrast the Functionalist and Conflict perspectives on social stratification.
[25 marks]
6. For a **named** Caribbean society, discuss the changes that occurred in the patterns of social mobility over the past fifty years.
[25 marks]

END OF TEST

IF YOU FINISH BEFORE TIME IS CALLED, CHECK YOUR WORK ON THIS TEST.