Summer Examinations 2016

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Module Title   Development Economics
Level         Five
Time Allowed  Two hours

Instructions to students:

- Enter your student number **not** your name on all answer books.
- Answer **three** out of **eight** questions.
- All questions are equally weighted.

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Answer **three** out of **eight** questions.

1. Critically assess the role of Institutions in the process of economic growth. Should developing countries prioritise strengthening their Institutions?

2. ‘Agricultural development policy in developing countries should focus on the smallholder sector’. Evaluate this statement.

3. Critically assess the arguments for and against land redistribution. Discuss with reference to the cases of Zimbabwe and/or South Africa.

4. How should countries industrialise? Discuss with reference to the debate around the role of Industrial policy.

5. Critically assess the view that democracy is a prerequisite for economic growth and development.

6. ‘Participation in global value chains offers a way for developing countries to access new markets and to integrate with the global economy’. Assess this statement.

7. Can remittances replace more traditional forms of development finance? Discuss with reference to the developmental impact of remittances.

8. Analyse the competing views of the developmental impact of the HIV/AIDS epidemic. To what extent can the epidemic be considered an economic catastrophe for sub-Saharan African countries?

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