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DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

MDG 503: RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

EXAMINATIONS

 **MAR 2022**

TIME: 3 HOURS

ANSWER THREE QUESTIONS, USE ILLUSTRATIONS AND DIAGRAMS WHERE RELEVANT. MARKS FOR EACH QUESTION ARE INDICATED IN BRACKETS []

- 1 Draw a plan that you may use to convince a donor to fund rural electrification of a rural community of your choice. In your paper, justify fully how the rural electrification may improve the welfare of the households. [25]
2. Discuss various consideration that are key in creating a sustainable future proof programme for rural farmers in the provision of rural financial services that improve their agriculture development. [25]
3. Examine the potential of rural farmer cooperatives for resolving a plethora of rural challenges. [25]
4. Discuss the contribution of CBNRM to rural enterprise. Use practical case studies to support your answers [25]
5. Many farmers do not have access to rural financial services, such as credit or insurance. Discuss interventions that may be used to resolve this challenge. [25]