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EAPR 3131 Housing Facilities and Amenities

EAPQ3131 Housing Facilities and Amenities

Time: 2 hours

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question One and any other Two Questions of Your Choice from Section Two in the Answer Booklet Provided. Start each Question in a Fresh Page.

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Answer 3 Questions. Question One from Section One and any other Two Questions of your choice from Section Two.

**Section One: Compulsory(30 marks)**

- a) Define
  - i. Shelter (2 Marks)
  - ii. Low income Earners according to VAT Act (2008) (2 Marks)
  - iii. Zoning (2 Marks)
  - iv. Community facilities (2 Marks)
  - v. Blighted area (2 marks)
  
- b) Using sketches, describe four housing typologies found in Nairobi (20 marks)

**Section Two: Answer any two (40 Marks)**

**Question 2**

Community facilities and amenities are known to provide quality life to the population in a settlement. To meet the above requirement, explain the planning standards that guide the provision of the following (according to draft planning handbook, 2007), (20 marks)

- a) Education facilities(Primary and Nursery)
- b) Health facilities
- c) Corner shop
- d) Water intakes
- e) Recreation facilities

✓ **Question 3**

One of the major hindrances in attaining the housing demand has been financial constraints. Discuss at four funding institutions in the country explaining their strengths and weaknesses in meeting the housing target. (20 marks)

**Question 4**

Government has put in place various facilitating legislative and institutional framework in the housing sector. Explain the housing regulations raised in the following:

- i. The Constitution 2010 (4 marks)
- ii. Sessional Paper No.5 on Housing Policy of 1966/67 (4 marks)
- iii. National housing Policy 2004 (4 marks)
- iv. National Housing Strategy for Kenya (4 marks)
- v. Housing Act Cap 117 (NHC) (4 marks)

✓ **Question 5**

The number of slum dwellers in Kenya is growing and will continue to increase unless there is serious and concerted action by all relevant stakeholders.

- a) Discuss five factors that underlie the formation of slums in Kenya. (10 Marks)
  
- b) Explain five approaches that government has initiated in its efforts to provide low income housing in Kenya (10 Marks)