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2025_2 EXAMINATIONS

COURSE CODE: ESM 411

COURSE TITLE: POPULATION, ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT

CREDIT: 2 UNITS

TIME ALLOWED: 2½ HOURS

Instructions: Attempt question Number one (1) and any other (2). *Question Number 1 is compulsory and carries 30 marks, while other questions carry equal marks of 20 each*

- 1a. Investigate the concept of population aging.
- 1b. Discuss the causes of populations aging.
- 1c. State three (3) implications of population aging to global development.
- 1d. Define social support systems.
- 1e. Outline three (3) challenges of social support systems in Nigeria

- 2a. What are early warning systems?
- 2b. Mention two (2) cases of societal collapses resulting from environmental constraints.
- 2c. Discuss the interplay between environmental degradation and political instability.

- 3a. Comment on the impact of environmental degradation on marginalized communities
- 3b. Describe briefly five (5) social factors.
- 3c. Define social vulnerability.

- 4a. Examine the concept of population distribution.
- 4b. List (4) four significance of population distribution.
- 4c. List three (3) opportunities associated with an older population.

- 5a. Discuss the concept of sustainable development goals.
- 5b. Outline sustainable development goals integration of environmental factors.
- 5c. Outline three (3) of sustainable population management strategies.