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Subject: Social Welfare, Social Policies & Legislation & Social Security

**SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION
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Instructions

THIS QUESTION PAPER CONTAINS 5 QUESTIONS
CHOOSE AND ANSWER ANY 4 OF 5 QUESTIONS BELOW

PLEASE NUMBER CORRECTLY

SECTION A (Only ANSWER 4 questions in this Section)

1. Patel (2008: p.18) identified 5 dominant approaches to social welfare.
 - a. Provide a description of three of these approaches. (15)
 - b. Identify and explain the social welfare approach that has been adopted by South Africa in the post-apartheid period. Also refer to the characteristics of the approach as described by Patel (2005). (10)

2. The social welfare system in South Africa is rendered by both government and non-governmental organisations.
 - a. Explain in detail the role and functions of the three levels of government in the rendering of social service to the population of South Africa. (15)
 - b. Identify and explain the role of two non-governmental organisations in the rendering of social services to the population. (10)

3. “Social policies are courses of action taken by societies and their governments to achieve the goals of development. Social policies aim to promote human welfare or a state of human well-being in a society. Legislation on the other hand, is a set of rules, laws and regulations to prescribe behaviour; it is also called laws. It imposes penalties should citizens not comply with the law. “(Patel & Selipsky,2010:49-50)
 - a. Identify and explain in detail one social policy relevant to the South African context. (15)
 - b. Describe one social law relevant to the South African context. (10)

4. Briefly discuss the following:
 - a. What is the main function and role of the South African Council for Social Service Professions. (10)
 - b. What professions must register with the SACSSP to render services in South Africa. (5)
 - c. SACSSP has stipulated a Code of Conduct for all registered social service professionals in South Africa. Provide explanation on the following:
 - i. The purpose for having a Code of Conduct. (5)
 - ii. Briefly explain one code of conduct to be practiced by social service professionals. (3)

- iii. Describe the consequences of breaching the code of conduct as stipulated by SACSSP. (2)
5. Social security is regarded in South Africa as a very important means of addressing massive poverty. Please discuss the following:
- a. How does social grants alleviate poverty in South Africa. (5)
 - b. Describe the foster grant in terms of its intended recipients and the criteria. (5)
 - c. What organisation in South Africa is responsible for the administration of social grants. Briefly explain the role of social workers in terms of the social grants. (5)
 - d. What is a universal basic income grant? Do you think that this grant must be implemented in South Africa? (10)

Total for Examination = 100

THANK YOU FOR COMPLETING THIS ASSESSMENT, ALL THE BEST

