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

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Instructions

THE QUESTION PAPER CONTAINS 5 QUESTIONS

CHOOSE AND ANSWER FOUR QUESTIONS

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QUESTION ONE

The White Paper for Social Welfare 1997 refers to social welfare as an integral system of social policies, social services, benefits, programmes, and social security to enhance the well-being of the people on South Africa.

- a) Explain fully the social welfare approach that has been adopted by South Africa in the post-apartheid period. (10)
- b) Describe briefly the roles and functions of the three levels of government in rendering of social services to the population of South Africa. (6)
- c) Name and describe the role and functions of one non-governmental organization involved in the rendering of social services in South Africa. (5)
- d) Briefly describe the National Developmental Plan in addressing poverty and inequality in South Africa. (4)

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QUESTION TWO

In an article written by Patel (2016) entitled “South Africa’s social welfare system faces deepening challenges”.

- a) What did she identify as some of the positive aspects of the post-apartheid social welfare systems in South Africa. (10)
- b) What factors have emerged as challenges to the effective implementation of the social welfare system in South Africa. (15)

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QUESTION THREE

Briefly explain the following:

- a) What are the functions and role of the South African Council for Social Service Professions (SACSSP). (10)
- b) What professions must be registered with SACSSP to render services in South Africa. (4)
- c) SACSSP has stipulated a Code of Conduct for all registered social service professions in South Africa. Discuss the following:
 - 1. The purpose of the Code of Conduct. (5)
 - 2. Mention one code of conduct to be practiced by social service professionals. (3)
 - 3. Explain briefly the consequences of breaching the Code of Conduct as stipulated by SACSSP. (3)

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QUESTION FOUR

Courts in South Africa fulfil a crucial role in the administration of justice:

- a) What is the highest court in South Africa. (1)
- b) Explain why it is important that social workers should have a good understanding of the legal pluralism system in South Africa. (5)
- c) Describe the Children's Court & Child Justice courts in detail. In your discussion the following must be stated:
 1. The importance of having intermediary services in these courts. (4)
 2. Name one court in South Africa and identify the role of social workers in that court. (2)
 3. Name five out of seven declarations by United Nations (UN) on basic victim's rights for all signature nations. (5)
 4. Outline and explain five challenges for the implementation of the South African Victim Empowerment Policy. (5)
 5. Name two important reasons why the Uniform Protocol for the Management of Victims, Survivors, and Witnesses of Domestic Violence and Sexual Offenses was formed. (2)

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QUESTION FIVE

- a) Social policies and social legislation play a crucial role in the regulations of social welfare services in South Africa. Describe in detail the process of law-making in South Africa. (10)
- b) Discuss key features or differences between Roman Dutch Law and indigenous law as they relate to Social Work Practice and give practical examples. (15)

Total for Examination = 100 (MARKS)

THANK YOU FOR COMPLETING THIS ASSESSMENT, ALL THE BEST

