

UNIVERSITY OF FORT HARE

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PUB 311**

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**This paper consists of 2 pages including the cover page**

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**INSTRUCTIONS**

Please note that all questions are compulsory from Section A and choose only ONE in Section B.

Ensure that you write in a clear hand-writing and number answers correctly

Read all questions and instructions carefully before answering

**INSTRUCTIONS: Please answer all the questions in section A and only ONE question from section B**

**Section A (75)**

1. Define and Briefly Discuss the following concepts:

- A. Public Administration. (5)
- B. Equity vs Equality. (5)
- C. Public Resources Management (5)
- D. Service Delivery (5)

2. Name and briefly discuss two concepts, which are often confused with a policy (Related Concepts) (12)

3. Through practical examples, briefly explain the role of the Politician, Government official and citizen in the policy lifecycle. (15)

4. Answer True or False

- A. The Executive Arm of government is a stakeholder in policy formulation (4)
- B. The types of policies include Regulatory, Distributive, Redistributive and Self-regulatory policies. (4)
- C. The difference between group theory and game theory is that group theory helps us understand how groups work and game theory helps us understand how groups maximize value in a bargaining situation (4)

5. List 4 (Four) Characteristics of a state (4)

6. Fill in the missing words:

- A. Public policies consist of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ taken by different actors with a view to resolving a problem that is \_\_\_\_\_ defined as public in nature (6)

B. \_\_\_\_\_arguments suggests an exchange between the individual and state, in which the individual contests to submit either \_\_\_\_\_or tacitly, to some authority and some freedoms in exchange for \_\_\_\_\_of their remaining rights  
(6)

**Section B: (answer only one question) Discussion questions. (25)**

1. Illustrate how both the group theory and public choice theory contribute to decision making during policy making (25)
2. Discuss in detail the Generic functions of government (25)
3. Discuss the importance of the National Development Plan in setting the developmental Agenda of the Republic of South Africa  
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