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PUB: 322 – ETHICS IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION, 3B

**SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION
JANUARY/FEBRUARY, 2019**

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Time: 3 Hours

Subject: Public Administration

Paper: Ethics in Public Administration, 3B

Marks: 100

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This paper consists of TWO (2) pages including the cover page

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INSTRUCTIONS

- (i) Answer any **TWO (2)** questions of your choice
- (ii) All questions carry equal marks
- (iii) You are advised to spend at most, 1½ hours on each of your answers
- (iv) You are expected to draw relevant **examples and illustrations** from the theory and practice of ethics (applied ethics) in P(p)ublic A(a)dministration

Question 1**[50 marks]**

Ethics play an important role in any public sector organisation. Discuss the need for and significance of ethics in public administration.

Question 2**[50 marks]**

What is professionalism? Render an account of the nature of professionalism in the public sector and clearly account for what constitutes professional ethics.

Question 3**[50 marks]**

Reflect on any FOUR of the following, showing how they are applicable to ethics in public administration.

- (i) Utilitarianism/Consequentialism
- (ii) Kantian ethics
- (iii) Virtue ethics
- (iv) Conflict of interest
- (v) Whistleblowing

Question 4**[50 marks]**

What is *Ubuntu*? Discuss how the philosophy of *Ubuntu* could benefit the South African public service in terms of ethics and ethical conduct.

END OF EXAMINATION PAPER