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UNIT CODE: UNIT MBE 715: NAME: FOUNDATIONS OF HEALTH SYSTEMS MANAGEMENT

DATE: APRIL, 2026

TIME: Three Hours

Start:

Finish:

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This exam is marked out of 100 marks
2. This Examination comprises TWO Sections
Section A: Compulsory Question (25 marks)
Section B: Long Answer Questions (75 marks)

SECTION A: COMPULSORY (25 Marks)

Short Answer Questions

SECTION B (Set 5 Questions)

ANSWER ANY THREE (3) QUESTIONS (75 Marks)

Long Answer Questions

SECTION A. ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

- 1a. Explain any five characteristics of a responsive health system (5 Marks)
- b. State any five sources of health financing (5 Marks)
- c. Describe the decentralized health systems (5Marks)
- d. State five Reasons for policy termination (5 Marks)
- f. Explain five major characteristics of the healthcare sector (5 Marks)

SECTION B (Set 5 Questions)

ANSWER ANY THREE (3) QUESTIONS (75 Marks)

Long Answer Questions

2. Discuss the following interplay of contextual factors of the health systems in Africa
 - a. Organizational arrangements (5 marks)
 - b. Economic context (5 marks)
 - c. Socio-cultural and political context (5 marks)
 - d. Legislative context (5 marks)
 - e. Main actors in the health system (5 marks)
3. Explain five reasons why reforms in health systems are necessary (25 Marks)
4. Discuss any five factors necessitating policy change in health care sector in Africa. (25 Marks)
5. Discuss any five Policy implementation challenges in Health Systems Management (25 Marks)
6. Discuss the roles of five key players in health care systems in your country (25 Marks)