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SUPPLEMENTARY/SECOND OPPORTUNITY EXAMINATION QUESTION PAPER	
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INSTRUCTIONS
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Answer ALL the questions2. Write clearly and legibly3. Number the answers clearly4. Do not forget to write your Student Number on the Answer Book(s)

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QUESTION 1

State whether the following statements are **TRUE** or **FALSE**.

- a) Poverty is the state of someone who lacks a certain amount of material possessions. (1)
- b) Vulnerability is how different people or families are likely to fall into poverty or remain poor. (1)
- c) There are no publications on poverty in Namibia to enable one to understand the state of poverty in the country. (1)
- d) Micro-enterprises are not uniform and cover a wide range of economic activities. (1)

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QUESTION 2

In a table format, list the differences between the formal sector and informal sector in relation to their characteristics. (12)

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QUESTION 3

The Namibian government has mandated the Ministry of Urban and Rural Development to formulate a Local Economic Development White paper at national level. Discuss the role that the Government ought to play in support of the local development initiatives as highlighted in the White paper. (10)

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QUESTION 4

South Africa had a distinct regional planning policy regarding settlement patterns with all residential areas underpinned by racial segregation. Name various policies and legal instruments that had directly contributed to the local economic development debate in South Africa. (8)

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QUESTION 5

- a) Social transfer programs in developing countries are designed to contribute to poverty reduction by increasing the income of the poor in order to ensure minimal living standards. Describe the key arguments on the importance of social transfer programs. (8)
- b) Gonzalez-Gorman et al (2018) asserts that economic development and affordable housing are two important goals for the city administration, pursuing both values are challenging due to their conflicting policy nature. Discuss the three policy types that play a key role in influencing city policymaking. (18)

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QUESTION 6

The Namibian policy framework approach on SME development is based on activities and initiatives in the fields of; (i) **De-regulation & Incentives** and (ii) **Pro-active Programmes**. Outline at least 6 activities and initiatives covered under each field. (12)

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QUESTION 7

Briefly explain four main credit schemes from which lending to SMEs is based? (12)

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QUESTION 8

Describe eight roles that local government should play in terms of the Public Private Partnership. (16)

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