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KIRIRI WOMENS' UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION, 2024/2025 ACADEMIC YEAR
FIRST YEAR, FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION
FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION(ARTS)
KRE 2203 STUDY OF THE OLD TESTAMENT

Date: 9th August 2024
Time: 8.30am-10.30am

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

ANSWER QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Identify the Old Testament divisions in Hebrew Bible commonly referred to as *Tanakh*. (3 marks)
- b) Explain the importance of Hebrew order of the Old Testament books (5 marks)
- c) Examine **four** limitations of Archeology in understanding of the Old Testament (8 marks)
- d) “Historical books were not written to tell the history for history’s sake”. Justify. (6 marks)
- e) Identify **three** main periods during which the minor prophetic books were written (3 marks)
- f) State the importance of poetic literature books of the Bible (5 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Explore the authorship and themes of the book of Numbers (6 marks)
- b) Explain the **four** main covenants in the Old Testament (8 marks)
- c) Justify why the Bible is referred to as Library of Books. (6 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Explore the books commonly referred to as wisdom literature. (5 marks)
- b) Examine the theme of suffering in the book of Job. (7 marks)
- c) Justify the major prophetic books in the Old Testament. (8 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain why the Archeological evidence is important in understanding the Old Testament. (6 marks).
- b) Discuss the **three** aspects of distance in understanding historical context in Bible interpretation. (6 marks).
- c) Explore four main themes of the Old Testament. (8 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Highlight principles necessary for Old Testament exegesis. (7 marks)
- b) Identify **four** pictures of the Messiah in the Old Testament. (8 marks)
- c) Explain two Old Testament prophecies about the coming of a Messiah. (5 marks)