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**THE GEOGRAPHY OF SERVICES PROVISION**

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EXAMINERS ·

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**SECTION A**

Section A is compulsory

**Question 1**

- 1.1 Explain why a geographical perspective is important to the evaluation of services provision. [5]
- 1.2 Provide an example in which each of the following patterns can be observed in term of services provision. Your example can include a type of facility, infrastructure or a context. [5]
- 1.2.1 Random
  - 1.2.2 Linear
  - 1.2.3 Clustered
  - 1.2.4 Regular
  - 1.2.5 Radial
- 1.3 Differentiate between the Delphi technique and the nominal group technique used in public participation decision-making processes and describe a situation in which the application of each would be appropriate [5]
- 1.4 Identify five basic steps in non-spatial decision-making with regard to service provision that precede implementation of a solution [10]

**Total of Section A: [25]**

**SECTION B**

Select and answer only 3 of the following 4 questions in this section. Length guideline. 2-3 pages per question

**Question 2**

Evaluate public access to municipal services in the area of your choice in terms of needs provision and accessibility. Reference should be made to the types of needs (as identified by Bradshaw 1972) and the factors that influence accessibility.

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**Question 3**

- 3.1 Sustainable development demands that environmental considerations and public support form an integral part of a strategy to provide services to communities. Explain the importance of environmental considerations and public support for services provision and identify various options in implementing these considerations. [10]
- 3.2 Different levels of government play important roles in services provision. Identify any three levels of government in the country of your choice and discuss their respective roles and responsibilities in services provision. [15]  
[25]

**Question 4**

- 4.1 Express your views on accountability by the authorities and the responsibility of citizens within the context of service provision. Use the following terms and concepts as a guide to support your arguments [15]
- role players in decision-making
  - accountability
  - public participation
  - conflict management
  - boundanes of responsibility
- 4.2 Explain how GIS can be used in the assessment of services provision. [10]  
[25]

**Question 5**

- 5.1 Explain how a low rate of immigration, a high rate of rural to urban migration and a high birth rate will affect the future service provision needs of a country. Make use of relevant examples to support your explanation [10]
- 5.2 Apart from the local economy there are five sub-environments that influence services provision. Identify these sub-environments and discuss their associated impacts in more detail [15]  
[25]

**Total for Section B: [75]****Total for paper: 100**