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INTRODUCTION TO POLITICAL SCIENCE

HPAD 127

PART 1 SEMESTER 2 EXAMINATION

TOTAL MARKS   [100]

DATE: DECEMBER 2022

Time: 3 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This paper has *six (6)* questions
2. Answer question *one (1)* and *any* other *three (3)*
3. Each question carries *25 marks*
4. Start each question on a new page

Question 1

Evaluate the utility of systems theory in understanding politics. (25)

Question 2

Discuss the effectiveness of Zimbabwe's electoral system. (25)

Question 3

Evaluate the roles and responsibilities of the three (3) arms of the state in Zimbabwe. (25)

Question 4

Explain the role played by the following in the field of political science:

(a). Locus of power   (5)

(b). Political culture   (5)

(c). Political socialization (5)

(d). the political power   (5)

(e). The Political power   (5)

Question 5

Discuss the significance of the following in understanding politics:

(a). Normative theory.   (12)

(b). The empirical inquiry in political science.   (13)

Question 6

Using a theory of your choice, explain the political system (regime) of the government of former president Mugabe from 1980 – 2000. (25)

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