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SOC 222: SOCIAL CHANGE II

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- 1) According to W.W.Rostow, it is possible to identify all countries as lying within clearly definable stages of development. Discuss.
- 2) What do you understand by the term cultural lag and what is the major Criticism raised against this theory?
- 3) Into which of this stages does Nigeria fit and why?
- 4) What are the major factors that lead the growth of an urban area?
- 5) Why has Nigeria remained underdeveloped despite her rich human and material resources?
- 6) Which community will you identify as Urban?
- 7) The Wealth and poverty of nations result from the global process of exploitation. Discuss.
- 8) What are the major factors that lead to the growth of urban areas?
- 9) What is development?
- 10) Do you share the view that urban life affects the personality of the urban dweller?
- 11) What is Underdevelopment?
- 12) Are the effects of urbanization on the urban dweller always negative?
- 13) Choose any two Social change theories and state how they best explain the process of social change?
- 14) Social Change can be explained with the concept of Cultural lag. Discuss this position in Nigerian context.
- 15) What according to Duddly Seers are the basic questions to ask about a Country's development?
- 16) Choose any Modernization theory you are familiar with and briefly explain what the process of modernization entails.
- 17) Which historical events best explain the development of underdevelopment in the Third World Countries?
- 18) Give a brief Synopsis on the Dependency Theory.

- 19) What are the major sources of social change?
- 20) What are the main theses of the World system theory?

ANSWERS

- 1) W.W.Rostow posited in his theory on development that it is possible to identify all countries as lying within five clearly definable stages of development.
- 2) Students are expected to state which stage of development Nigeria fits into and why.
- 3) Students are to adduce well thought out reasons why Nigeria has remained underdeveloped despite her rich human and material resources.
- 4) The dependency theorists believe that the wealth and poverty of nations result from the global process of exploitation.
- 5) Development in economic terms means the capacity of a national economy to generate and sustain an annual increase in its gross national income (GNI).
- 6) Underdevelopment is an economic situation in which there are persistent low levels of living, in conjunction with absolute poverty.
- 7) Two social change theories that best explains the process of social change are:
 - The classical theory of change.
 - The main stream theory of change.
- 8) According to Duddly Seers, the basic questions to ask about a country's development are:
 - What has been happening to poverty?
 - What has been happening to unemployment?

- What has been happening to income inequality?
- 9) The historical events that best explain the development of underdevelopment in Third World countries are:
- The Era of Slave Trade.
 - The Era of Colonialism.
 - Neo-Colonialism(post-independent Era)
- 10) The major sources of Social change are:
- Population growth and migration.
 - Natural Environment.
 - Conflict: Man-made disaster.
 - Culture
 - Education
 - Technology