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**Master's Degree in Rural Development
Second Year Examination**

**SECOND PAPER (SP534 & SP541)
SOCIAL POLICY & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

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Time allowed: THREE hours.

FOUR questions to be answered. TWO from Section A and TWO from Section B. Use separate answer books for each question.

SECTION A: SOCIAL POLICY ISSUES

1. 'Development theory in the aftermath of World War II was dominated by the politics of the Cold War and the process of decolonisation, the reconstruction of the west-European economies, and the application of Keynesian economics, all within the framework of the emergence of modernisation theory'. Discuss.
2. 'The global economy is now arguably the only context within which development at all levels can be understood. Outline some of the principal issues associated with this new global interdependence.
3. "It is in the agricultural sector that the battle for long-term economic development will be won or lost" (Myrdal, 1968). In the context of this statement what would you consider to be the main components of a strategy for agricultural and rural development?

SECTION B: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

1. Is a particular style of leadership necessary in order to successfully undertake community development projects?
2. Leadership models developed in business organisations can usefully be applied to community development organisations. Discuss.
3. Speaking of area-based development, the National Development Plan 1989-1993 declared that 'the priorities will be set by the communities themselves, who will be responsible for ensuring that local potential will be realised'. Examine the Irish experience of 'community' participation in the area-based partnerships to see how well this optimistic view has worked out in practice.