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<u>Instructions</u>	Answer THREE questions
Duration	TWO Hours
No. of AnswerBooks	
<u>Requirements:</u>	
Handout	
MCQ	
Statistical Tables	
Graph Paper	
Log Graph Paper	
Other Material	Planning and Development Act 2000 Planning and Development Regulations 2001
Department(s)	LAW

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1. Write a note on the main provisions concerning exempted development. Your answer should explain what exempted development is and the main categories of exempted development.
2. Write a note on the process for appeals of the decisions of planning authorities to An Bord Pleanála.
3. Galway County Council has recently been considering an application from a company to build an Irish language centre and golf club for German and Japanese tourists between the coastline and the coastal road just outside Spiddal. The development plan for the area includes an objective of protecting the coastal view. Concerned residents seek your guidance. Advise them as to:
 - a. The power of the planning authority to grant permission in material contravention of the development plan. Explain any relevant procedure.
 - b. The legal significance of the development plan in the context of the planning authority's determination of planning applications.
 - c. The powers of An Bord Pleanála and the courts to review the grant of planning permission in material contravention of the development plan.
4. Answer a) and b)
 - a. Why is environmental impact assessment a necessary process?
 - b. Outline the main features of the environmental impact assessment process in relation to an application for planning permission.
5. Explain the main features in making an application for planning permission.
6. The principle of 'development' is central to Irish planning because any activity or construction qualifying as development requires planning permission. Explain the main categories of development.

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