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SUMMER EXAMINATIONS 1998

2nd & 4th Evening B.A in Economic and Social Studies

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Time allowed: Three Hours

Answer 3 questions in all.

SP475 Environmental Policy

1. What are the core elements of the new 'ecological modernisation? To what extent has it influenced environmental regulation in Europe?
2. Should the polluter pay? If not why not?
3. "Environmental policy in Ireland is concerned no longer with the extent of ecological degradation, the quality of the environment or encouraging environmental sensitivity, but with the complicated process of organising consent around new definitions of the extent to which pollution can be justified". Has environmental regulation in Ireland been at the alter of the celtic tiger?
4. "Despite the rhetoric of the conservative governments of the 1980s environmental regulation in the UK was marked more by continuity than change". Why?
5. What have been the reasons for the failure to implement an integrated European environmental policy?□
6. What reasons are there for questioning common environmentalist assumptions about world population problems?
7. To what extent can environmentalist movements reasonably expect to make an impact on public policy concerning the environment?

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