

WOMEN'S UNIVERSITY IN AFRICA



Addressing gender disparity and fostering equity in University Education

FACULTY OF SOCIAL AND GENDER TRANSFORMATIVE SCIENCES

MASTERS DEGREE IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

MAIN PAPER

MPA 213: PUBLIC SECTOR REFORMS

INTAKE 1: SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER

TIME: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. Answer **Question 1** any other **one** question.
2. All questions carry equal marks.

Question 1

Unfolding experiences in most countries since the onset of the second wave of public sector reforms in the 1990s suggest that while New Public Management practices have been extensively institutionalized in the public sector elements of previous public management orthodoxies are in stubborn retreat. Critique this assertion citing specific examples. [20]

Question 2

Public service procurement processes have been a subject of fierce debate and criticisms due to alleged corruption that characterize these processes. Discuss this assertion highlighting measures currently underway to abate corruption. [20]

Question 3

Discuss the reforms that are being implemented in Zimbabwe's public sector. [20]

Question 4

Discuss critical factors that are compromising the implementation of public sector reforms in Zimbabwe. [20]

Question 5

Explain and discuss the salient concerns of the following:

- a) Traditional Public Administration;
- b) New Public Management;
- c) New Public Governance; and
- d) Good governance.

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