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AAR 1205 – SOCIETY AND THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT II

Instructions

Time : 2 Hours

Answer Question 1 and any other three.

QUESTION 1

- a) I) Define what you understand to be power in relationship to the role of kings in Africa.
- ii) State and explain five variables of power.
- iii) Explain how the formation of cities in Africa is related to the concept of power.
- b) I) What is vernacular architecture?
- ii) State in brief, five points explaining the impact slavery had on the African built environments.

QUESTION 2

Describe the characteristics of vernacular architecture of the Venda and Tonga, two of Zimbabwe's ethnic groups. State the architectural characteristics that would contribute towards Zimbabwean contemporary architecture.

QUESTION 3

Define 'nomad' and 'nomadism'. Give two nomadic groups explaining nomadic built environment, movement and concept of space rituals.

QUESTION 4

Write a short essay describing how colonialism impacted on traditional architecture and settlements in Africa.

QUESTION 5

State and explain the location of each of the following within traditional/historical African cities:

- a) religious sanctuary
- b) food storage
- c) burial sites
- d) safe keeping domestic animals.