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AAR1205: SOCIETY AND THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT II

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Time: 3 hours

Answer Question 1 and any other two. Use illustrations where appropriate

Question 1

Much of Africa's built environment this day and onwards can be described as 'hybrid'. Explain and illustrate with relevant examples the plethora of forces that have led to hybridization of Africa's built environment. [40]

Question 2

- (a) Globalization has affected many facets the lives of virtually all the citizens of the world. Write an essay explaining how globalization has affected contemporary architecture in Zimbabwe. [20]
- (b) In your opinion how is the information and communication technology revolution likely to impact on the built environment? [10]

Question3

- (a) Nomadic tribal groups all over the world have developed exceptional 'survival techniques' to endure their often extreme environments. With the aid of sketches, explain how a studied nomadic group has adapted to their particular environment. [20]
- (b) What lessons can contemporary architectural draw from Nomadic architecture [10]

Question 4.

The Great Zimbabwe monument is one of the most widely studied piece of past architecture. What is the architectural significance of this monument in Zimbabwe? [30]

Question 5.

Traditional Ndebele architecture and town planning has interesting aspects that reflect 'the cultural origins' of architecture. Illustrate how traditional Ndebele architecture reflects the same. [30]