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This examination paper consists of 2 pages

Time Allowed: **3 hours**

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INSTRUCTIONS

1. Answer any **FOUR** questions
2. Each question carries 25 marks.
3. Credit will be given to answers that are clear, illustrated, concise, and grammatically well-constructed.

1. a) Write concise notes on: Informal settlements; Urban densification; Urban renewal [6]

   b) Examine the causes of housing shortages in cities. [10]

   c) Suggest sustainable housing strategies. [9]

2. Discuss the major factors driving rural–urban migration and their impacts. [25]

3. Examine the environmental impacts of rapid urban growth. [25]

4. a) Define sustainable urban development [3]

   b) Explain the role of transport in city structure [5]

   c) Analyze transport challenges [10]

   d) Suggest policy measures [7]

5. Discuss the role of agglomeration economies in urban development. [25]

6. Assess the relevance of Bid-Rent Theory in modern cities. [25]

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