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 MCP2661/MSPA307 – POLICY ANALYSIS AND IMPLEMENTATION
 DURATION: 03 HOURS



Date: 22 August 2020

Time: 1.30 p.m. to 04.30 p.m.

No. of Questions: 07

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Instructions: Answer any Four (04) questions. All questions carry equal marks.
 Please note that illegible hand writing will result in loss of marks.

- [1]. Explain the policy process in light of any policy making model you are familiar with. (25 marks)
- [2]. a). Explain with examples the types of policy issues that need the attention of a policy analyst. (10 marks)
 b). Describe the different methods and sources of active issue search you could use in identifying a policy issue (15 marks)
- [3]. a). Briefly explain the stages approach advanced by Harold Laswell in the policy decision process. (15 marks)
 b). Describe the colored papers used as the instruments and their benefits in the policy making process. (10 marks)
- [4]. a). What are the steps in the Eightfold Path to Policy Analysis by Eugene Bardach? (05 marks)
 b). Describe four of those steps. (20 marks)
- [5]. Explain the 'Punctuated Equilibrium Theory', its strengths and weaknesses in the policy process. (25 marks)
- [6]. Discuss with examples the types of policy instruments that a government could apply in implementing its policies. (25 marks)
- [7]. a). Briefly explain the reasons for rapid expansion of globalization during the past few decades. (10 marks)
 b). Discuss the roles played by the United Nations (UN) in the globalization process. (15 marks)

