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**Sessional Examination
PS312 Public Systems Management**

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Commonwealth Executive Masters in Public Administration

PUBLIC SYSTEMS MANAGEMENT

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SESSIONAL EXAMINATION

Marks: 100

Instructions

1. This paper comprises of 1 Part. Answer **ALL** questions in this paper.
2. Answer only four questions in this paper
3. Write answers in the answer booklet provided
4. Answer **ALL** questions, in grammatical **English**.



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Essay type questions

(100 marks)

1. With the aid of relevant examples explain why the rapidly increasing number and scope of activities involving public administration make it difficult to define the subject. **(25 marks)**
2. With the aid of relevant examples discuss why a public organisation should pay attention to its environment. **(25 marks)**
3. With the use of relevant examples describe the relationship between the executive, legislative, and judicial branches of government in the political system of your country. **(25 marks)**
4. Explain the relationship between public administrators and politicians in your country and argue if this relationship is necessary. **(25 marks)**
5. What is meant by ethics? With the aid of examples explain why values and ethics are important for public administrators. **(25 marks)**
6. With the use of relevant examples discuss the difference between traditional public administration and the new public management (NPM) and show if it an improvement or not? **(25 marks)**