

MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER

SCHOOL OF NATURAL RESOURCES, ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES AND AGRICULTURE BACHELOR OF ARTS GEOGRAPHY AND GEOSPATIAL TECHNIQUES

COURSE CODE: GEO 4137-1/GEO 4150-1 COURSE TITLE: AGRICULURAL GEOGRAPHY

DATE: 6TH DECEMBER, 2023 TIME: 0830-1030 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer **ALL** questions in Section A, and any **THREE** questions in Section B. use illustrations where appropriate.

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SECTION A (20 MARKS)

- 1. Briefly describe **two (2)** characteristics of agricultural types **(4 Marks)**
- 2. What is Net Primary Production

(2 Marks)

- 3. Briefly discuss some of the similarities associated with the various centers of origin of agriculture . (2 Marks)
- 4. Briefly discuss the advantages of livestock production over crop production and vice versa (4 Marks)
- 5. Using relevant examples, distinguish between the following concepts:
 - a) Gene **versus** Green Revolution

(2 Marks)

b) Comensal Pathway **versus** Directed Pathway

(2 Marks)

- 6. Distinguish between **any two** of the the following:
 - a) Absolute Limit vs Economic Limit

(2 Marks)

b) Spacial vs. Social Diffusion

(2 Marks)

c) Primitive vs Traditional agricultural systems

(2 Marks)

SECTION B (40 MARKS)

- 6. In details discuss the impact of climate on agriculture (10 Marks)
- 7. In details, discuss the key policy issues affecting agricultural in Kenya (10 Marks)
- 8. Discuss the evolution of agriculture to its current form.

(10 Marks)

9. In the map of Kenya, segment the regions as reflected in the Whittlesey Classification System and explain your agricultural regionalization (10 Marks)

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