

### **MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY**

# REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION 2019/2020 ACADEMIC YEAR SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND INFORMATION SCIENCES

## FOURTH YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

**COURSE CODE: ZOO 4134** 

**COURSE TITLE: AGRICULTURAL ENTOMOLOGY** 

**DATE: 10<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2019** TIME: 0830-1030HRS

#### **INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

a) Answer ANY TEN

b) Illustrate your answers with suitable diagrams and give examples wherever appropriate.

#### **SECTION A: Answer all question. (30marks)**

- 1. What is a threshold? Why should you consider thresholds when you develop a pest control strategy? (3marks)
- 2. With examples explain the goals of Pest Control. (3marks)
- 3. State three factors a farmer should consider while choosing pesticides for vegetables. (3marks)
- 4. Define pest monitoring and explain its importance in pest management. (3marks)
- 5. State legislative measures in force to control pests in different countries. (3marks)
- 6. Describe three techniques used in biological control. (3marks)
- 7. With examples, explain cyclical disease transmission in insect vectors.

(3marks)

- 8. Outline the damage caused by storage pests in cereals. (3marks)
- 9. State three mechanisms of Host Plant Resistance. (3marks)
- 10. Explain sterile male release technique in genetic insect control.

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#### **SECTION B: Answer any two questions (40 marks)**

- 11. Describe the life cycle, type of damage and control of fall army worm **OR** *Tuta absoluta*. **(20marks)**
- 12. State the properties of an ideal pesticide and classify pesticides on the basis of mode of action. (20marks)
- 13. Discuss Pest Outbreaks in Kenya (20marks)
- 14. Explain how you would advise on "integrated pest management" (IPM) strategy for farmers in your county. (20marks)

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