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REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2019/2020 ACADEMIC YEAR FOURTH YEAR FIRST SEMESTER

SCHOOL OF NATURAL RESOURCE AND ANIMAL SCIENCES BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND PRODUCTION

COURSE CODE: EBH 4135
COURSE TITLE: WILDLIFE ECOLOGY AND
MANAGEMENT IN EAST AFRICA

DATE: 9TH DECEMBER 2019 TIME: 1100 - 1300HRS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer ALL questions in Section A and any other THREE in Section B

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SECTION A (25 Marks)

- 1. Define the following terms, citing examples (10 marks)
 - i. Key stone species iv. Parasite
 - ii. Bio-indicators v. Mutualism
- iii. Carrying capacity
- 2. Briefly discuss five (5) abiotic factors that affect the distribution of an animal population in an ecosystem.(5 marks)
- 3. With the aid of diagrams, describe three growth curves and relative species. (6 marks)
- 4. Briefly describe consumptive and non-consumptive wildlife used as practiced in East Africa (5 marks)

SECTION B (45 Marks)

- 5. Exhaustively describe the diverse habitat types found in East Africa, their importance and highlight wildlife species found in them (15 marks)
- 6. In East Africa, wildlife habitats and species continue to face a lot of challenges. Using examples, showcase current and emerging concerns; and management interventions you would put in place to address these concerns. (15 marks)
- 7. Animals employ various foraging strategies to attain food. Citing examples, demonstrate the feeding strategies animals use to attain nutrition. (15 marks)
- 8. Protected areas play vital roles in promoting wildlife and environmental health. Thoroughly demonstrate your understating on this, citing examples in East Africa. (15 marks)

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