

# MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

## **REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS**

**2021/2022 ACADEMIC YEAR** 

FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER

# SCHOOL OF NATURAL RESOURCES TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT

# MASTER OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

**COURSE CODE: SES 804** 

**COURSETITLE: ENVIRONMENTAL LAW AND POLICY** 

DATE: 8<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2022 TIME: 1100-1400HRS

#### **INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- 1. Answer Question **ONE** and any other **THREE** questions
- 2. This paper consists of three printed pages. Please turn over

#### **QUESTION ONE**

**A.)** The environment is an intricate web of different elements, justify this statement

(1 mark)

- **B.)** Explain the application of the concept of absolute liability in relation to the worst industrial disaster that has ever happened (2 marks)
- C.) Explain the five principles of sustainable environmental management

(2 marks)

- **D.)** Highlight **3** provisions under the Kenyan Constitution that lay the foundation for public participation in environmental management in Kenya. (5 marks)
- E.) Discuss any FIVE eight principles of sustainable development as provided under Kenya's Environmental policy. (5 marks)
- **F.)** Highlight **FIVE** sources of environmental law under international environmental law.

(5 marks)

**G.)** Discuss **FIVE** extraordinary circumstances according to the Aarhus Convention when a public authority may refuse a request to disclose information. (5 marks)

# **QUESTION TWO**

- **A.)** Explain the implication of Agenda 21 of the Rio declaration on environmental governance. (5 marks)
- **B.)** Illustrate the Impact of the Stockholm Conference on the Development of International Environmental Law and Policy.

(10 marks)

### **QUESTION THREE**

**A.)** Explain the jurisdiction and powers of the Land and environmental courts as well as Environmental tribunals as provided for under Article 162 of the Kenyan Constitution.

(5 marks)

**B.**) Outline the Ten notable Contributions of the Stockholm Convention to International Environmental law. (10 marks)

#### QUESTION FOUR.

- A.) Citing relevant international legislation discuss five standards and regulations regarding dumping of wastes in water resources and the Legislative measures towards controlling hazardous disposal of wastes at sea.(5 marks)
- B.) Highlight the standards and regulations that seek to protect the over exploitation of migratory and rare species of fish and other marine resources under the nomenclature provided below.(10 marks)
  - i.) Kenyan law.
  - ii.) Regional law
  - iii.) International Law

#### **QUESTION FIVE**

- **A.)** Give an opinion on the judicial interpretation of Kenyan Courts as pertain to the significance and criterion from public participation. (5 marks)
- B.) Analyze at least ten state Obligations towards the environment under the Espoo convention as pertains to Environmental impact assessment.(10 marks)

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