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COURSE CODE: AAS 3223

COURSE TITLE: Animal Genetic Resources

EXAM VENUE: LR 3

STREAM: BSc (Food Security)

DATE: 11/12/14

EXAM SESSION: 9.00 – 11.00 AM

TIME: 2.00 HOURS

Instructions:

- 1. Answer ALL question in Section A (compulsory) and ANY TWO questions in Section B.**
- 2. Candidates are advised not to write on the question paper.**
- 3. Candidates must hand in their answer booklets to the invigilator while in the examination room.**

SECTION A **[30 MARKS]**

Answer ALL questions from this Section

- 1 (a) Define the following terms:
- i. Biological diversity. [1 mark]
 - ii. Agricultural biodiversity. [1 mark]
 - iii. Animal genetic resources. [1 mark]
- (b) State and explain any three roles of livestock. [3 marks]
- (c) i. Is Kenya a signatory to the UN Convention on Biological Diversity? [1 mark]
- ii. If (c) 1. above is yes, indicate the year it became a signatory. [1 mark]
 - iii. When did the UN Convention on Biological Diversity come into effect? [1 mark]
- (d) Explain the following terms in the context of management of animal genetic resources (AnGR):
- i. Inventory; [1 mark]
 - ii. Characterization; and [1 mark]
 - iii. Monitoring of population trends. [1 mark]
- (e) Agricultural biodiversity is a critical component of biodiversity? Explain. [3 marks]
- (f) Outline the types of information used to construct phylogenetic scheme. [5 marks]
- (g) Differentiate between *ex situ* *in vivo* and *ex situ* *in vitro* conservation methods. [2 marks]
- (h) State six factors responsible for loss of animal genetic resources. [3 marks]
- (i) How are the following livestock species classified in Kenya?
- i. Cattle; and [3 marks]
 - ii. Sheep. [2 marks]

SECTION B **[40 MARKS]**

Answer ANY TWO questions from this Section.

2. (a) Discuss how the risk of extinction is determined in animal genetic resources. [13 marks]
- (b) Risk status can be categorized into various classes. Outline the classes. [10 marks]
3. (a) Animal genetic resources are important multiple roles in many countries. Discuss the social, economic and cultural importance of livestock. [10 marks]
- (b) Discuss the relationship between sustainable use and conservation of a breed. [10 marks]
1. (a) Explain the following terms in the context the context of AnGR.
- i. A breed. [2 marks]
 - ii. Cryopreservation. [2 marks]
 - iii. Monitoring of population trends. [2 marks]
 - iv. Sustainable use and development of animal genetic resources. [2 marks]
 - v. Levels of diversity. [2 marks]
- (b) Identify and discuss objectives of conservation. [10 marks]