

MASENO UNIVERSITY **UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2013/2014**

FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF ARTS IN LINGUISTICS (MAIN CAMPUS)

ALN 811: LANGUAGE PLANNING AND POLICY IN KENYA

Date: 9th April, 2014

Time: 9.00 - 12noon

INSTRUCTIONS:

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Answer QUESTION ONE and ANY OTHER TWO questions.

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Instructions: Answer question ONE and any other TWO questions

- Discuss Demise's (1980) argument that language planning encompasses "linguistic, sociolinguistic, economic and political aspects of the integration of society" (30 marks)
- Explain how language planning ideology and policy may aggravate potentially volatile situations in linguistically heterogeneous societies (15 marks)
- Discuss why "survival of the fittest" seems to be an apt characterization of Kenya's language policy. (15 marks)
- Explain how the language policy of a nation may impact on its Gross Domestic product. (!5 marks)
- Discuss to what extent it may be argued that Kenya's language planning has largely been driven by personal political pronouncements rather than sound and coordinated policy. (15 marks)