



MASENO UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2015/2016

**THIRD YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS FOR THE
DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ENVIRONMENTAL
SCIENCE WITH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

MAIN CAMPUS

NES 308: PARTICIPATORY RURAL APPRAISAL

Date: 18th April, 2016

Time: 11.00 - 1.00 pm

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer question ONE and any other TWO questions.



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TIME 2 Hours

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1. (a) Define a 'community sketch map' and present a suitable one for the Maseno University community pointing out its red flags. [10 mks]
- (b) In most cases community members have local solutions to the problems that impact on their lives. Conduct a problems analysis for a rural community that you are familiar with. [10 mks]
- (c) Explain the meaning of 'participation as a means' and 'participation as an end' and show their relevance in present Kenya. [10 mks]
2. The process of data gathering is socially acceptable, economically viable and ecologically sound and leads to decisions which focus on sustainable development. In this regard, analyze the key assumptions that constitute the pillars of PRA. [20 mks]
3. Elucidate the steps of data analysis and synthesis. [20 mks]
4. Conduct a detailed livelihood mapping for your rural community. [20 mks]
5. Discuss FIVE locally accepted criteria for assessment of opportunities in PRA [20 mks]
6. Explain what you understand by the term 'Community Action Plan (CAP) and indicate how it is formulated and its scope. [20 mks]