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**SECOND YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF
SCIENCE IN LAND RESOURCE PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT**

SECOND SEMESTER

ALP 2206: REMOTE SENSING I

DATE: APRIL 2016

TIME: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer QUESTION ONE and ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS.

Question One [30 marks]

(a) Define the following terms as used in remote sensing:

- (i) Swath**
- (ii) Orthophoto**
- (iii) Specular reflection**

(6 marks)

(b) Outline the elements of the remote sensing process.

(7 marks)

(c) Describe the elements of visual image analysis.

(7 marks)

(d) Define a sensor and describe the two main modes or methods of scanning employed to acquire multispectral image data by sensors

(10 marks)

Question Two [20 marks]

(a) Define remote sensing.

(4 marks)

(b) Describe aerial photographs in terms of orientation of camera axis.

(6 marks)

(c) Describe the relationship between focal length and ground coverage for a vertical photograph

(6 marks)

(d) Describe the functions of a magazine in an aerial camera.

(4 marks)

Question Three [20 marks]

- (a) (i) Describe three main options for transmitting data acquired by satellites to the surface. (6 marks)
- (ii) List the main common media used for Satellite data distribution. (4 marks)
- (b) Using a suitable diagram describe spectral Characteristics of Vegetation. (10 marks)

Question Four [20 marks]

- (a) Define electromagnetic Radiation in terms of the particle theory. (4 marks)
- (b) With the aid of a diagram describe the wavelength ranges of the electromagnetic spectrum that are used for remote sensing? (10 marks)
- (c) Describe the main types of remote sensing in terms of energy sources. (6 marks)

Question Five [20 marks]

- (a) Explain the two main types of interactions between EMR and atmosphere. (8 marks)
- (b) What do you understand by the term "atmospheric windows" (4 marks)
- (c) Identify and discuss four different areas of application of remote sensing in Urban Planning. (8 marks)

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