

# MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations for 2018/2019 Academic Year

#### SCHOOL OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

#### DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

# FOURTH YEAR SECOND SEMESTER SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION AND EXTENSION

#### AGR 483: CLIMATE CHANGE AND ADAPTATION IN AGRICULTURE

DATE: 6/5/2019 TIME: 8:30 – 10:30 AM

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer question ONE and any other TWO questions

## **QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 MARKS)**

- a) Explain the following terms
  - i) Weather (2 marks)
  - ii) Climate (2 marks)
  - iii) Climate change (2 marks)
  - iv) Strategic food reserves (2 marks)
  - v) Disaster (2 marks)
- b) Describe the difference between adaptation and mitigation to climate change impacts in agriculture. (4 marks)
- c) Discuss "the greenhouse effect" and its importance to water cycle. (8 marks)
- d) Describe the purpose of explicit and implicit estimation of vulnerability (8 marks)

#### **QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

Discuss various adaptation strategies that are employed to deal with climate-related disasters in Kenya.

# **QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

- a) Discuss the actions Parties to REDD+ are encouraged to take to ensure the success of the initiative. (12 marks)
- b) Explain the FOUR key targets of the Paris Agreement. (8 marks)

# **QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

Using Kenya as an example, discuss potential climate change agroecosystem impacts and recommend management responses.

## **QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

Discuss the constraints and opportunities arising from adaptation and mitigation of impacts of climate change.