



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

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SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF AGRIBUSINESS MANAGEMENT AND TRADE

FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR
MASTER OF SCIENCE IN AGRIBUSINESS MANAGEMENT

AGB 813: AGRICULTURAL POLICY AND TRADE

DATE: 1/3/2021

TIME: 9.00-12.00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer Question ONE and any other TWO questions

QUESTION ONE (20 MARKS)

- a) Describe four reasons why agriculture is still critical for Africa's economic transformation (4 marks)
- b) Explain any four price stabilization policies and how they distort the market mechanism (4 marks)
- c) Explain four strategies African policy makers have undertaken to improve attention on agriculture for economic transformation (4 marks)
- d) Describe four indicators used in food security assessment (4 marks)
- e) Explain direct income transfer policy as applied in EU agriculture to support farmers (4 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Describe five factors leading to dramatic increase in world food prices in last decade (5 marks)
- b) Explain any five institutional policies and how they affect producer's and consumer's welfare (5 marks)

- c) African Union signed the Malabo Declaration in 2014 to support Agricultural growth and transformation in Africa. The declaration states that Africa government will support agricultural development 10% of their budgetary allocation.
- i. Describe three factors that could lead to poor implementation of the declaration (3 marks)
 - ii. Describe three indicators appropriate to measure political support in agricultural development and transformation (3 marks)
 - iii. Describe four approaches that could strengthen political will to support implementation of the declaration (4 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Differentiate between agricultural policy and policy statement (4 marks)
- b) Describe four hidden policies that could interfere with international trade (8 marks)
- c) Stakeholder's engagement is crucial in policy processes. Systematically describe how you will analyze the stakeholders involved in a policy landscape (8 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Describe the policy development cycle (5 marks)
- b) Using examples, describe five purposes of policy evaluation in agricultural development (5 marks)
- c) Describe how you will apply Multi-Market Model (MMM) to analyze the impact of a price policy in a given market (10 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Using Kenya's Agricultural Policy 2016 as a case study, describe the implementation framework of the policy (5 marks)
- b) Describe five global challenges facing food and nutrition security, corresponding policy interventions to address mentioned challenges (5 marks)
- c) Describe five market and trade policies and their influence in welfare of a nation (10 marks)