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SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF HUMANITIES

**THIRD YEAR FIRST SEMISTER EXAMINATION FOR BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
IN COMMUNITY RESOURCE MANAGEMENT.**

HCR 308: HOUSEHOLD RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

DATE: 3/8/2017

TIME: 2:00 – 4:00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS:

This paper consists of five questions.

Answer Question One and Any Other Two Questions

Question ONE carries 30 marks

Question 2-5 carry 20 marks each

1. a) Using relevant examples show how concepts of access, control and ownership of resources differ in the household context. (6 marks)
- b) Identify three (3) attributes/qualities of plans that every household needs to factor in as they plan the utilization of their resources. (6 marks)
- c) Describe three (3) characteristics of physical capital as a household resource (6 marks)
- d) Explain with examples any three (3) characteristics of households in Kenya (6 marks)
- e) Differentiate the following gender roles with relevant examples as used in household resource management
 i) Productive
 ii) Reproductive
 iii) Community (6 marks)

2. You have been recruited by an NGO working with a rural community whose main livelihood strategy is subsistence farming but due to prolonged and frequent periods of drought, most households from this community tend to be food insecure and poor. Using appropriate examples discuss four (4) strategies you would recommend to the affected households to enable them cope with their vulnerability. (20 marks)
3. Prepare a talk on household resource management detailing five (5) ways that can be used by a household to increase or maximize their satisfaction in the managing of its resources. (20 marks)
4. Identify and describe with examples five (5) factors that affect access to adequate livelihood assets. (20 marks)
5. Discuss five (5) asset/capital categories represented in the DFID framework that a household should maximize on as they manage their resources (20 marks)