



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

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SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF LINGUISTICS AND LANGUAGES

SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (APPLIED LINGUISTICS)

AEN 913: LANGUAGE PRESERVATION AND REVITIZATION

DATE:16/12/2022

TIME:2:00 – 5:00P.M

INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE (20MARKS)

UNESCO (2011) has outlined nine-point criteria for assessing language vitality and endangerment. With reference to any five criteria, discuss the status of your first language.

QUESTION TWO (20MARKS)

The introduction of indigenous knowledge in Kenyan Basic Education is based on policy directions in the Kenya Constitution (2010). Discuss the guidelines, clearly showing how they may be implemented in full.

QUESTION THREE (20MARKS)

Use either Joshua Fishman or David Crystal's model to discuss how language preservation and/or revitalization can be carried out.

QUESTION FOUR (20MARKS)

Discuss how modern technology may be used in the documentation of endangered languages in Kenya.

QUESTION FIVE (20MARKS)

Do you think preservation of indigenous languages is critical in the management of global challenges? Write an essay in support of your answer.