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SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR BACHELOR OF EDUCATION ARTS

AHT421: AGRICULTURAL HISTORY OF KENYA

DATE: 24/7/2017

TIME: 2:00 – 4:00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer Question One and Any Other Two Questions

1. a) Citing relevant examples examine characteristics of land tenure in pre-colonial Kenya in relation to agricultural development (10 marks)
- b) Account for the British interest in East Africa in general and Kenya in particular. (10 marks)
- c) The land question in Kenya remains unresolved. Discuss (10 marks)
2. Citing relevant examples account for the inefficiency of settler estate production in spite of generous government support. (20 marks)
3. Account for the productiveness of African peasant production in the face of government neglect before 1940. (20 marks)
4. Examine the effects of the Great Depression on settler estate and African peasant production. (20 marks)
5. Why is the Second World War considered a Turning point in Kenyan agriculture? (20 marks)