

# UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER

PROGRAMME:

**BSC ABE** 

BSC AGRON BSC AG ED 4

**COURSE CODE:** 

**ABE 404** 

TITLE OF PAPER: NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT

TIME ALLOWED: TWO (2) HOURS

**SPECIAL MATERIAL REQUIRED: NONE** 

**INSTRUCTIONS:** ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY TWO OTHER QUESTIONS.

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# SECTION A. COMPULSORY QUESTION

# **Question One**

a. Discuss the economics of pollution control and use graphs to illustrate the cost of damage to the environment, the cost of pollution control and the cost benefit analysis.

(20 marks)

b. Discuss why green taxes and tradable permits are important in promoting sustainable economies.
(20 marks)

#### SECTION B. ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS

#### **Question Two**

a. Explain what exponential human population growth is and discuss its likely impact on the earth's carrying capacity using a graph to illustrate.

(15 marks)

- b. Explain the meaning of the following terms as used in natural resources management;
  - i. Ecosystem

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ii. Food web

/5

iii. Biome

/5

(15 marks)

### **Question Three**

- a. Explain what environmental law is and discuss its significance in natural resources management (20 marks)
- b. Discuss the challenges of enforcing environmental law in developing countries.

(10marks)

# **Question Four**

a.	Define the	following	terms a	as use	d in	the	water	pollution	control	regulatio	ns
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i. Water body /3

ii. Water Authourity /4

iii. Operator /3

(10 arks)

b. Explain why a land tenure system is important for natural resources management?

(10 arks)

c. Describe the following methods of water resources management;

i. Watershed protection

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ii. Zoning flood plains

15

(10 Marks)