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UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND

FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER

PROGRAMME:

B. Sc. ANIMAL SCIENCE, DAIRY

OPTION I AND B. Sc. ANIMAL SCIENCE, DAIRY OPTION II

COURSE CODE:

ASD 201/102

TITLE OF PAPER:

ORIENTATION/INTRODUCTION TO

DAIRY SCIENCE

TIME ALLOWED:

TWO (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

ANSWER ANY 4 QUESTIONS.

THIS PAPER SHOULD NOT BE OPENED UNTIL THE CHIEF INVIGILATOR HAS GRANTED PERMISSION.

QUESTION 1

a) Discuss the brief history of dairy cattle domestication (13 Marks)

b) Outline the position of the dairy cow in the zoological scheme (12 Marks)

QUESTION 2

Describe the significance and identification of the following in the dairy herd:

a) heat period (10 Marks) b) dry period (5 Marks)

c) mastitis (10 Marks)

QUESTION 3

Explain the procedures and reasons for carrying out the following dairy practices:

a) Herd identification (8 Marks)

b) Dairy calf feeding with milk replacer (10 Marks)

c) Dehorning (7 Marks)

QUESTION 4

Discuss and illustrate the concept of compensatory growth in cattle. (25 Marks)

QUESTION 5

Outline the dairy milking chain for a typical commercial enterprise. (25 Marks)