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UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER

PROGRAMME:

B.Sc. IN AGRONOMY YEAR 4

COURSE CODE:

CP 401

TITLE OF PAPER:

AGROFORESTRY

TIME ALLOWED:

TWO (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS IN SECTION A AND ANY OTHER THREE QUESTIONS IN SECTION B, MAKING A TOTAL OF

FIVE

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Answer all questions in section A and any other three questions in section B, making a total of five

SECTION A THIS SECTION IS COMPULSORY

QUESTION 1

(a) Define agroforestry.

(5 marks)

(b) What are the key words in this definition.

(5 marks)

(c) Discuss the niche for agroforestry practices.

(10 marks) [20 MARKS]

QUESTION 2

(a) Why is agroforestry important?

(5 marks)

- (b) What kind of trees and shrubs do you like to use in the following agroforestry practices:
 - (i) fodder banks,
 - (ii) soil and water conservation,
 - (iii) fuelwood production.

(15 marks)

[20 MARKS]

SECION B ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTION FROM THIS SECTION

QUESTION 3

(a) What constitutes nutritive value of fodder trees and shrubs?

(5 marks)

(b) What is biomass transfer and the different types of biomass transfer? (5 marks)

(c) What are the advantages and problems associated with biomass transfer in crop production?

(10 marks)

[20 MARKS]

QUESTION 4

(a) Distinguish agroforestry from pure agriculture.

(10 marks)

(b) Distinguish the following:

(2 marks each)

- (i) pollarding,
- (ii) coppicing,
- (iii) pruning,
- (iv) multistrata,

(v) parklands.

(10 marks)

[20 MARKS]

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QUESTION 5

(a) Outline the major services obtained from incorporation of trees and shrubs on farms.

(10 marks)

(b) What factors influence the survival and establishment of tree seedlings after transplanting to the field? (10 marks)

[20 MARKS]

QUESTION 6

(a) Discuss the need for and limitations of improved fallows.

(10 marks)

(b) What are the advantages of home gardens.

(5 marks)

(c) Distinguish with examples, concomitant from coincident agroforestry temporal arrangements.

(5 marks)

[20 MARKS]

QUESTION 7

(a) Distinguish sequential from simultaneous types of agroforestry practices. (5 marks)

(b) What is carbon sequestration?

(5 marks)

(c) How do trees and shrubs improve soil fertility?

(10 marks)

[20 MARKS]