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FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER

**PROGRAMME : BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN FOOD
SCIENCE, NUTRITION AND
TECHNOLOGY
YEAR IV**

COURSE CODE : FSNT 403

**TITLE OF PAPER : FOOD INGREDIENT TECHNOLOGY
IN PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT**

TIME ALLOWED : TWO (2) HOURS

**INSTRUCTIONS : ANSWER QUESTION ONE (1)
AND ANY OTHER (2) QUESTIONS**

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QUESTION 1 [COMPULSORY]

- a. Discuss the three toxicity tests performed on all food additives and explain how the Acceptable Daily Intake (ADI) and Maximum Residue Level (MRL) are determined.

[20 marks]

- b. Discuss potassium nitrite and sulphur dioxide, stating clearly why they are used in food processing, how they react with food, and their health concerns.

[20 Marks]

[Total = 40 marks]

QUESTION 2

- a. A hot chocolate mix has the following ingredients; sugar, cocoa powder, skim milk powder, corn syrup solids, vegetable fat, milk protein, carrageenan, polyfructose, stabilizer, flavourants, emulsifier, colourants, anti-caking agent.

- i. Discuss the interaction of carrageenan with milk proteins at high and low pH.

[6 marks]

- ii. Discuss the function of stabilizer, emulsifier, and anti-caking agent used in the hot chocolate mix, giving an example of each.

[9 marks]

- iii. Choose two other ingredients from the mix and discuss their functions.

[6 Marks]

- b. Discuss calcium induced alginate gellation and its possible application in food.

[9 marks]

[Total = 30 marks]

QUESTION 3

a. Explain the following terms:-

- i) Food additive.
- ii) Genotoxic compound

[5 marks]

b. Differentiate between fat substitutes and fat mimetics. Describe two examples in each type of fat replacers.

[10 marks]

c. Discuss the function of the following food additives, giving a food example in each case

- i. Locust bean gum
- ii. Xylitol
- iii. Aspartame
- iv. Annato extract
- v. Potassium iodide

[15 marks]

[Total =30 marks]

QUESTION 4

a. Describe 3 functions of acidulants.

[6 marks]

b. Discuss the function of the following food additives, giving a food example in each case

- i. Turmeric
- ii. L-glutamic acid
- iii. Sucralose
- iv. Calcium silicate

[12 marks]

d. Explain the function of the following food additives and give an example in each class

- i. Chelating agents
- ii. Surface active agent
- iii. Fungicidal preservative
- iv. Antioxidant

[12 marks]

[Total = 30 marks]
