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FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER

PROGRAMME:

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HORTICULTURE

YEAR 4

COURSE CODE:

HORT 401

TITLE OF PAPER:

GREENHOUSE MANAGEMENT AND UTILISATION

TIME ALLOWED:

TWO (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

ANSWER ANY FOUR (4) QUESTIONS

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Question 1

Explain in detail the factors that will affect your decision when locating a greenhouse for vegetable production in your locality.

[25 marks]

Question 2

Describe in brief how you will control or manage the following factors in a greenhouse environment:

(a) Temperature [8 marks]
(b) Light [9 marks]
(c) Relative humidity. [8 marks]
[25 marks]

Question 3

You have a 1:150 injector in a greenhouse and want to use potassium nitrate (13%N-0% P_2O_5 -44% K_2O) and calcium nitrate (15.5%N-0% P_2O_5 -0% K_2O) to supply 200 ppm of N and K with each watering. How many **grams** of each fertilizer would you weigh out to make **5- litre** of concentrate? (Given %K and %P equals **1.2** and **2.3** of K_2O and P_2O_5 respectively, and **10** as the conversion constant C).

[25 marks]

Question 4

(a) How will you identify the nutritional problems associated with greenhouse crops? [10 marks]
(b) Describe briefly the nutritional deficiency symptoms associated with any 2 each of macro-, secondary-and micro-nutrients. [15 marks]

[25 marks]

Question 5

Discuss the operations of an Environment Controlled Computers (ECC) greenhouse.

[25 marks]