



KISII UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

**FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF THE CERTIFICATE IN
ANIMAL HEALTH AND PRODUCTION/ANIMAL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**
SECOND SEMESTER 2024/2025
[SEPTEMBER – DECEMBER, 2024]

AGED 00251/ 00232: EXTENSION GENDER & RURAL SOCIOLOGY

STREAM: Y1 S2

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY: MONDAY, 9:00 - 11:00 A.M.

DATE: 09/12/2024

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. Do not write anything on this question paper.***
- 2. Answer question ONE in section A (Compulsory) and any other TWO questions from section B.***

SECTION A: COMOPULSURY (30MKS)

1a) Describe the following (10 marks)

- Extension
- Agricultural Extension
- Diffusion
- Innovation
- Adoption

b) Extension is an informal education out of school which has no formal course of study process directed to its clients briefly describe:

- The aims of extension (3 marks)
- The objective of extension (1 mark)

C) Extension provides technical advice and information. Briefly describe this role in rural development (3 marks)

d) In group meetings the extension agent will want to introduce new information, seek and gain their support for extension activities. Briefly describe the purpose for such community meetings

(4 marks)

e) In any rural community, the readiness to accept new ideas and put them into practice varies from farmer to farmer. Explain the factors that influence the rate of adoption (3 marks)

f) Recent studies on rural women have suggested a whole range of obstacles which rural women confront and which impede their greater involvement in rural development. Describe briefly the obstacles (6 marks)

SECTION B (40 MARKS)

2 a) In educational work of Extension, the agent should be aware of a number of principles of learning. State and explain the principles (10 marks)

b) Briefly describe the projects an extension agent should formulate especially to support women's role in rural society. (10 marks)

3. a) Describe the importance of rural sociology (10 marks)

b) Farmers differ in their speed of learning and adoption. Briefly identify and explain different categories of farmers in term of their ability to adopt new ideas (10 marks)

4. Classify various methods used in Agricultural extension work. Explain the advantages and disadvantages of each method (20 marks)