

# THIRD YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ANIMAL SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

FIRST SEMESTER 2022/2023 (SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER, 2022)

### **ANSC 359: PRINCIPLES OF ANIMAL PRODUCTION**

STREAM: Y3 S1 TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY: MONDAY, 900 A.M - 11:00 A.M DATE: 05/12/2022

#### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Do not write anything on this question paper.

2. Answer ALL Questions in section A (Compulsory) and any other FOUR Questions in section B.

#### **SECTION A: 30 MARKS**

- 1. a) Define the following terms as used in animal production
  - i. Animal Husbandry
  - ii. Animal Production
- iii. Production system. (3Marks)
- b) Briefly explain three primary livestock products in Kenya. (3Marks)
- c) Explain the characteristics and food value of meat. (5Marks)
- d) Discuss briefly the factors that influence the choice of a livestock production system. (5Marks)
- 2. a) Explain the two types of cattle production systems . (4Marks)
  - b) List any five breeds of dairy cattle found in your locality. (5Marks)
  - c) State one cause of disease or ill-health in livestock. (1Mark)
  - d) List any four signs of ill-health or disease in domestic animals. (4Marks)

## **SECTION B (40 MARKS)**

- 1. Discuss the role of farm animals in the national economy. (10Marks)
- 2. Describe the strategies used to achieve high milk production in early lactation in dairy cattle. (10Marks)
- 3. Discuss the types and characteristics of various animal production systems practised in Africa. (10Marks)
- 4. Citing relevant examples, discuss the challenges of development of livestock production in Kenya. (10Marks)
- 5. Discuss the various uses of animal by products that are of economic importance to the livestock owners. (10Marks)