

THIRD YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN APPLIED AQUATIC SCIENCES,

CONSERVATION WITH IT FIRST SEMESTER 2022/2023 (SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER, 2022)

AQUA 350: AQUACULTURE

STREAM: Y3 S1 TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY: MONDAY, 9:00 A.M -11:00 A.M DATE: 18/12/2022

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Do not write anything on this question paper.

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

SECTION A (40 MARKS)

- 1. Differentiate between the following as used in aquaculture. (6 marks)
 - a) Mariculture and brackish culture
 - b) Monoculture and polyculture
 - c) Culture and capture fisheries
- 2. Briefly explain any four aims of aquaculture. (4 marks)
- 3. Giving appropriate examples, explain any for factors to consider when selecting a species for aquaculture. (8 marks)
- 4. Describe raceway fish culture. (4 marks)
- 5. Describe the principles of Recirculating Aquaculture Systems (RAS) (5 marks)

- 6. Pond preparation is important before fish stocking. Discuss this assertion. (6 marks)
- 7. Briefly explain why it is important to lime and fertilize earthen fish ponds. (3 marks)
- 8. How is fish sampling done in aquaculture. (4 marks)

SECTION B

- 9. Describe the steps followed during pond construction.
 - a) Outline four common causes of stress in fish (2 marks)
 - b) Discuss the symptoms of fish diseases (7 marks)
 - c) Briefly explain how diseases can be prevented in aquaculture.

(6 marks)

10. Discuss the major challenges facing aquaculture development in Kenya. (15 marks)