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FOURTH YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HORTICULTURE 2017/2018ACADEMIC YEAR

REGULAR

COURSE CODE: AHT 3421

COURSE TITLE: GREENHOUSE PRODUCTION AND MANAGEMENT

EXAM VENUE: STREAM:BSC. HORT.

DATE: EXAM SESSION:

TIME:2 HOURS

Instructions:

- 1. Answer ALL questions in section A and ANY OTHER TWO in section B
- 2. Candidates are advised not to write on question paper.
- 3. Candidates must hand in their answer booklets to the invigilator while in the examination room.

SECTION A[30 MARKS]

Answer ALL questions in this section

1a.Outline the benefits of greenhouse crop cultivation.

[10 marks]

b. Explain recycling method as a way of plastic waste disposal in greenhouse production.

[10 marks]

c. Greenhouses are commonly used in Kenya to produce vegetables, nursery stock / plants. But sometimes outside ambient temperature rises causing inside greenhouse temperature not ideal for production of good quality crop. Explain how the temperature inside the greenhouse can be modulated by **ventilation**, **evaporative cooling** and**shading**.

[10 marks]

SECTION B[40 MARKS]

Answer ANY TWO questions in this section

- 2. Explain the following in greenhouse production and management:
 - a. Thermostats [8 marks]
 - b. Analogs [6 marks]
- c. Tensiometers.[6 marks]
- 3. Modern greenhouse production procedures emphasize quality assurance in all production processes. Explain some alternative cropping systems currently in use. [20 marks]
- 4. Describe the following in greenhouse management:
 - a. Crop and product quality
 - b. Spectral light quality
- c. Temperature and energy flows
 - d. Media fertility management.

[20 marks]