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## UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS FOR THE DEGREE IN RENEWABLE ENERGY, TECHNOLOGY AND MANAGENT

### 4<sup>TH</sup> YEAR 1<sup>ST</sup> SEMESTER 2017/2018 ACADEMIC YEAR

**CENTRE: MAIN CAMPUS** 

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**COURSE CODE: TET 3414** 

**COURSE TITLE: ENERGY AND CLIMATE CHANGE** 

EXAM VENUE: WS STREAM: BSc REN ENERGY TECH & MGT

DATE: 19/12/2017 EXAM SESSION: 9.00 – 11.00 AM

**DURATION: 2 HOURS** 

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#### **Instructions**

- 1. Answer question 1 (Compulsory) and ANY other two questions
- 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

#### **QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY)**

- a. Explain the following terms as used in energy and climate change: (4 marks)
- i. Climate
- ii. Climate change
- iii. Greenhouse effect
- iv. Climate system
  - b. Climate change discussions are always coming up in environmental stakeholders meetings or seminars in Kenya. State and explain how Kenyans can cause climate change? (5 marks)
  - c. Renewable energy sources are connected with climate change in very complex ways. The use of renewable energy can affect the magnitude of climate change while the magnitude of climate change can affect their prospects for use. Discuss this statement. (10 marks)
  - d. Energy and climate change are interlinked. State and explain at least four possible relationships of climate change with other energy-related issues. (8 marks)
  - e. Why does climate change matter? (3 marks)

#### **QUESTION TWO**

The county government of Bondo is interested in understanding the effects of climate change on energy production and distribution. As an upcoming energy expert, using examples give a detailed description of the effects of climate change on energy production and distribution. (20 marks)

#### **QUESTION THREE**

- a. State and explain the characteristics of climate system components (5 marks)
- b. KenGen and Kenya Power Limited have approached you to discuss the effects of climate change on energy use. State and explain five effects of climate change on energy use (10 marks)
- c. Climate change is likely to affect energy planning nationally or regionally. Explain this statement (2 marks)
- d. Temperature increases resulting from global warming are almost certain to reduce the amount of energy needed for space heating in a residential building. Explain this statement (3 marks)

#### **QUESTION FOUR**

The Ministry of Energy and Petroleum, Kenya, is interested in understanding the observed climate changes and impacts. An officer at the Ministry has met with you, renewable energy expert, for one on one discussion. Give a detailed description of the observed climate changes and impacts (20 marks)

#### **QUESTION FIVE**

- a. What is global climate change? (1 mark)
- b. Energy production in Kenya is partly dominated by renewable energy sources. Renewable energy sources tend to be more sensitive to climate variability. Discuss this statement (10 marks)
- c. Climate changes have direct effects on energy production and use. In some cases, climate changes
  may have a number of indirect effects on certain institutions and localities. Discuss this statement
  (9 marks)