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LINGUISTICS
1ST YEAR 1ST SEMESTER 2022/2023 ACADEMIC YEAR
CENTRE: MAIN CAMPUS

COURSE CODE: ZLM 2103

COURSE TITLE: MORPHOLOGICAL ANALYSIS

EXAM VENUE:

STREAM: MA LINGUISTICS

DATE: 05/12/2022

EXAM SESSION: 9.00-12.00NON

TIME: 3 HOURS

Instructions:

- 1. Answer question 1(compulsory) and ANY other 2 questions.**
- 2. Candidates are advised not to write on the question paper.**
- 3. Candidates must hand in their answer booklets to the invigilator while in the examination room.**

1. Use data 1 and 2 below to answer the questions that follow

Data 1	Gloss		Gloss
dagam	'my sun'	dagladam	'my suns'
dagod	'your sun'	dagladod	'your suns'
dagud	'his sun'	dagladud	'his suns'
dagdud	'our sun'	dagladdud	'our suns'
dagdod	'their sun'	dagladdod	'their suns'

Data 2

tesem	'my spear'	tesledem	'my spears'
tesed	'your spear'	tesleded	'your spears'
tesid	'his spear'	tesledid	'his spears'
tesdid	'our spear'	tesleddid	'our spears'
tesded	'their spear'	tesledded	'their spears'

- Write a lexicon. (10 marks)
- Identify the allomorphs, if any, and explain the process responsible for the alternations in the data. (2 marks)
- Below are some more words from the same language:

mit 'leg' bol 'house' kad 'table'

What would be the word for (5 marks)

- my leg
 - our houses
 - their tables
 - his leg
 - your table
- How would you classify this language morphologically. Give reasons for your answer. (3 marks)
- Decompose each of the following words so as to capture word formation processes and meaning of affixes. (20 marks)
 - Selectivity
 - Interdependencies
 - Suggestions
 - Incongruous
 - Willingness
 - Populous
 - Xenophobic
 - Apolitical
 - Faithfulness
 - Inconsistencies
 - Using appropriate examples, explain the distinction between the following terms.
 - Morpheme, morph and allomorph (6 marks)
 - Word forms and lexeme (4 marks)
 - Inflectional and derivation as processes of word formation (10 marks)
 - Using examples from at least three (3) languages, discuss the constituent structure of words. (20 marks)

5. Discuss the following morphophonemic processes. Cite relevant examples from any language of your choice. (20 marks)
- i) Assimilation
 - ii) Metathesis
 - iii) Conversion
 - iv) Gemination
 - v) Epenthesis