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FOURTH YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HORTICULTURE 2019/2020ACADEMIC YEAR

REGULAR

COURSE CODE: Greenhouse Production and Manageme	nt
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EXAM VENUE: STREAM: BSC. HORT.

: AHT 3421

COURSE TITLE:

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. Describe a typical managerial business plan for a greenhouse. [10 marks]

c. Highlight the types of plastic materials used in greenhouse covering and their properties.

[6 marks]

d. Modern greenhouse production procedures emphasize quality assurance in all production processes. Explain effects of relative humidity in the greenhouse. [4 marks]

SECTION B [40 MARKS]

Answer ANY TWO questions in this section

2. Explain the following in greenhouse production and management:

a. Light effects on crop quality [8 marks]

b. Pest management [6 marks]

c. Greenhouse ventilation. [6 marks]

- 3. A prospective fresh produce grower is contemplating growing crops under greenhouse for export and domestic markets. He / She require some information on construction and design and factors in site selection. As a consultant horticulturalist, describe the information you would provide.

 [20 marks]
- 4. Describe the following practices in greenhouse management:

a. Automated environmental control systems [10 marks]

b. Water and media fertility management [10 marks]

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42 Hours

Types of greenhouse; Importance, functions and features of greenhouse; Scope and development of greenhouse technology; Location, planning of various greenhouse components; Principles and practices of producing plants in greenhouses; Design and construction of greenhouses; Managing the greenhouse environment; Automated greenhouse; Covering, heating and cooling techniques; Light quantity and duration controls; moisture regulation and carbon dioxide enrichment; Shade and net housing; Growth media, irrigation/fertigation, nutrition and growth regulators; Pest management.