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## KIBABII UNIVERSITY

## UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2017/2018 ACADEMIC YEAR

# THIRD YEAR 2ND SEMESTER SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE AGRICULTURE AND BIOTECHNOLOGY

COURSE CODE:

**SAB 312** 

COURSE TITLE:

SOIL BIOLOGY AND BIOREMEDIATION

DATE:

12TH OCTOBER 2018

TIME: 11:30 - 1:30 PM

#### INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question ONE and any other TWO Questions.

TIME: 2 Hours

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### **QUESTION ONE = 30 MARKS (Compulsory)**

a) Define Soil Biology

(2 Marks)

- b) Describe the role of Antonie van Leeuwenhoek in the field of Soil Biology (4 Marks)
- c) Differentiate between Chloroform Fumigation Incubation and Chloroform Fumigation
  Extraction (12 Marks)
- d) Describe the fate of any SIX organic contaminants

(12 Marks)

#### **QUESTION TWO = 20 MARKS**

Describe the Biological Nitrogen Fixation (BNF)

(20 Marks)

#### **QUESTION THREE = 20 MARKS**

Discuss the signature molecules as a measure of microbial biomass and microbial community structure (20 Marks)

#### **QUESTION FOUR = 20 MARKS**

Describe any FOUR effects of physical stresses (Modulators) on microorganisms and the chemical adaptation they induce (20 Marks)