

(Knowledge for Development)

#### KIBABII UNIVERSITY

#### **UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS**

#### **2017/2018 ACADEMIC YEAR**

#### THIRD YEAR FIRST SEMESTER

#### SUPLEMENTARY/ SPECIAL EXAMINATION

### FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELLOR OF SCIENCE IN AGRICULTURE AND **BIOTECHNOLOGY**

**COURSE CODE:** 

**SAB 320** 

**COURSE TITLE: ANIMAL NUTRITION** 

DATE: 2<sup>ND</sup> OCTOBER 2018

TIME: 8-10 AM

#### INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer ALL questions in section A and any TWO in section B.

TIME: 2 Hours

## SECTION A: COMPULSORY - 30 MARKS

Q1.a) Describe five functions of water as a nutrient.

(5 marks)

Q1. b) Explain the concept of voluntary feed intake in animals.

(5 marks)

- Q1. c) Briefly explain two broad criteria of evaluating the nutritive value of food. (5 marks)
- Q1. d) Use the formula for estimating dry matter intake in ruminants to calculate the amount of daily fresh fodder intake by a dairy cow given the following conditions: (5 marks)

Cow's live weight is 350 kg;

Moisture content of the fresh fodder is 70%;

Daily milk production is 6 kg;

Q1. e) Discuss the important roles played by the microorganisms in the rumen. (10 marks)

# SECTION B: ANSWER ANY TWO (2) QUESTIONS - 40 MARKS

Q2. Discuss factors affecting feed intake in ruminant animals.

(20 marks)

Q3. Explain the limitations of digestibility coefficients.

(20 marks)

Q4. Explain the partitioning of energy contained in the dietary sources of feeds.

(20 marks)

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