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## KIBABII UNIVERSITY

## UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

# 2021/2022 ACADEMIC YEAR FIRST AND SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER

## MAIN EXAMINATION

# FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

COURSE CODE: LIT 122

COURSE TITLE: URBAN LITERATURES FROM EAST AFRICA

DATE:

18TH MAY, 2022

TIME: 9.00 - 11.00AM

#### INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question ONE and any other TWO Questions

TIME: 2 Hours

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## **QUESTION ONE - COMPULSORY (30 MARKS)**

Referring to <u>TWO</u> texts studied in this course, discuss <u>FOUR</u> challenges associated with urbanization in East Africa.

## **QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

Explain how pressure for financial success has led to immorality and (re) formation of youth identities in *Dar es Salaam by Night* (1999).

## **QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

Examine how Arthur Gakwandi has discussed the following concerns in Kosiya Kifefe (2008):

| i.   | Sexual immorality                          | (4 marks) |
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| ii.  | Hard life and struggle for survival        | (4 marks) |
| iii. | Identity and individual alienation         | (4 marks) |
| iv.  | Connectivity between cities and the people | (4 marks) |
| v.   | Peer pressure                              | (4 marks) |

## **QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

Discuss FIVE urban themes in Peter Kimani's Before the Rooster Crows (2002).

## **QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

- a) Discuss <u>FOUR</u> main urban themes in Sam Kahiga's When the Stars Are Scattered (1979).
- b) Examine how the writer has utilized plot, various conflicts and characterization to depict the Kenyan urban space.

#### **QUESTION SIX (20 MARKS)**

Discuss the portrayal of moral decay in the urban setting of Mwangi Ruheni's *The Ministers Daughter* (1975).