



(Knowledge for Development)

### KIBABII UNIVERSITY

# UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2022/2023 ACADEMIC YEAR

# SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER MAIN EXAMINATIONS

## FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BIOLOGY

**COURSE CODE:** 

**SES 211** 

**COURSE TITLE:** 

FUNDAMENTALS OF ENVIRONMENTAL

SCIENCE

### INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question one (1) and any other two (2) Questions. Question one carries 30 marks, the other Questions carry 20 marks each.

TIME: 2 Hours

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DATE: 13<sup>TH</sup> December 2022

TIME: 8.00 - 10.00 am

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#### **QUESTION ONE**

a) Define the following concepts

(10 marks)

- i) Environment
- ii) Environmental audit
- iii) Biological resources
- iv) Ecosystem management
- v) Sustainable development
- b) Outline five international conventions that have been signed to protect the environment and biodiversity (5 marks)
- c) State the rationale for the concept of sustainable development (5 marks)
- d) Outline the various remedial actions to threats of environmental conservation

(5 marks)

e) Identify the major causes of resource conflicts and their consequences (5 marks)

#### **QUESTION TWO**

Discuss how development activities in Kibabii University and the expansion of Bungoma town have contributed to environmental degradation (20 marks)

#### **QUESTION THREE**

Identify and discuss the major causes of desertification in Kenya

(20 marks)

#### **QUESTION FOUR**

Discuss the principles of natural resource management

(20 marks)

#### **QUESTION FIVE**

Discuss environmental problems associated with industrial development

(20 marks)