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**EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF
COOPERATIVE MANAGEMENT**

BCOP 231: COOPERATIVE AND MICROFINANCE MANAGEMENT

STREAMS: BCOP Y2S1

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: TUESDAY 30/03/2021

2.30 P.M – 4.30 P.M

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer question one and any other two

QUESTION ONE

- (a) The cooperatives desire to establish mutual partnerships and become more inclusive has led to the linkage with microfinance institutions. Discuss any other 5 reasons for this linkage. [10 marks]
- (b) Describe how cooperatives are working towards fulfilling the role of improving market access and marketing efficiency. [10 marks]
- (c) Explain the different sources of financing for cooperatives. [6 marks]
- (d) Discuss how microfinance institutions are able to achieve flexibility in the provision of their services. [4 marks]

QUESTION TWO

- (a) Cooperatives play a significant role in achieving vision 2030 and in ensuring financial inclusion. Discuss how cooperatives contribute to the achievement of this vision. [10 marks]

(b) Discuss the success of cooperatives in supporting the microfinance function.

[10 marks]

QUESTION THREE

(a) Explain some of the measures that have been put in place by microfinance institutions to ensure full repayment of the loans. [8 marks]

(b) Describe the different types of savings services offered by microfinance institutions.

[4 marks]

(c) Discuss the cooperative gap in reaching the poor and low income members of the society.

[8 marks]

QUESTION FOUR

(a) Explain the distinguishing characteristics of microfinance institutions. [8 marks]

(b) Describe the informal classification of microfinance institutions in Kenya. [8 marks]

(c) Outline the functions of agricultural cooperative in Kenya. [4 marks]
