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**RESIT/SPECIAL EXAMINATIONS**

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

**FOST 335: UNIT OPERATIONS IN FOOD PROCESSING**

**STREAMS:**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

**DAY/DATE: WEDNESDAY 03/02/2021**

**11.30 A.M – 1.30 P.M**

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**INSTRUCTIONS:**

**ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS**

- a) Define the term unit operation as used in food processing (5 Marks)
- b) Give five classes of unit operation based on the property transferred (5 Marks)
- c) Highlight five properties that must be considered in selecting materials to be used in the construction of food contact surfaces (5 Marks)
- 1 With the help of a sketch diagram describe how continuous milk pasteurisation is achieved under the following considerations: Heat exchanger; regenerative heating and cooling; holding section and flow diversion (8 marks)
- 2 Using a sketch diagram(s) explain the working principles of a typical spray drier. Consider the design of the various essential components (12 marks)
- 3 a) With help of a sketch diagram describe briefly how the centrifugal cream separator works (6 marks)
- b) 35,000 kg of whole milk containing 4% fat is to be separated in a 6 hour period into skim milk with 0.45% fat and cream with 45% fat. Calculate the flow rates of the two output streams from a continuous centrifuge which accomplishes this separation. Assume that the process is in a steady state, and that its flows and quantities held up in

vessels do not change with time (4 marks).

- 4 Distinguish between batch and continuous operations in food processing, giving advantages and disadvantages of each (10 Marks)
  - 5 With aid of illustrations, discuss three types of process tanks (15 Marks)
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