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EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN PLANT PATHOLOGY

BOTA 805: EPIDEMIOLOGY AND PLANT DISEASE CONTROL

STREAMS: MSC BOTA TIME: 3 HOURS

DAY/DATE: FRIDAY 06/12/2019 2.30 P.M. – 5.30 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer three questions.
- 1. (a) Using relevant examples, discuss survival mechanisms of fungi. (10 marks)
 - (b) Define integrated diseases management. (2 marks)
- (c) Discuss how you would implement an IDM programme for late blight disease of potatoes, giving reasons for control methods used. (8 marks)
- 2. Discuss factors that affect development of epidemics. (20 marks)
- 3. (a) Discuss disease measurement and assessment. (10 marks)
 - (b) Discuss factors to consider when forecasting plant diseases. (5 marks)
 - (c) To what extent is forecasting useful in disease management. (5 marks)
- 4. Discuss, how biotechnology contributes to the successful management of plant diseases. (20 marks)