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# THIRD YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF CO-OPERATIVE MANAGEMENT.

# **BCOP 301: CO - OPERATIVES AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT**

**STREAMS: BCOP Y3S2** 

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: THURSDAY 7/12/2017

8.30 A.M - 10.30 A.M.

## **INSTRUCTIONS:**

• Answer Question ONE and any other TWO Questions.

#### **QUESTION ONE**

(a) Using examples, explain the significance of social Co-operatives to different stakeholder.

[12 Marks]

- (b) Explain the problems that Co-operatives entities may experience while applying the democratic principle in their management practice. [8 Marks]
- (c) Explain the nature of conflicts that may occur between a Co-opearative Society and a member and suggest possible solutions to the conflict. [10 Marks]

## **QUESTION TWO**

- (a) A social Co-operative is a business owned by the community. Justify the survival strategies that may be employed to ensure this community business achieves desired performance level. [12 Marks]
- (b) Explain societal and economic challenge faced by agricultural marketing Co-operatives.

[8 Marks]

## **QUESTION THREE**

- (a) Some members of Ukweli Co-operative launched a complaint with the management on ineffective communication between them and the Co-operative. Explain the ways in which the management committee may ensure that this problem is addressed. [10 Marks]
- (b) Explain the contribution of William King and Charles Gide on the understanding of formation and management of social Co-operatives. [10 Marks]

# **QUESTION FOUR**

(a) Basing your argument on Robert Owen proposition, explain the application of mutuality concept in management of social Co-operatives. [10 Marks]

(b) Explain the factors that influence the culture adopted by a Co-operative Society. [10 Marks]