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EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF MASTERS OF SCIENCE IN AGRIBUSINESS MANAGEMENT, MASTERS OF SCIENCE IN AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS

AGBM 817: AGRICULTURAL POLICY ANALYSIS

STREAMS: MSC (AGBM), MSC (AGEC) YIS2 TIME: 3 HOURS

DAY/DATE: MONDAY 10/12/2018 8.30 AM – 11.30 AM

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer Question One and any other Two

Do not write on the question paper

QUESTION ONE

(i) Distinguish between subsidy policies and trade policies.

[4 marks]

(ii) Explain five weaknesses of land policy in Kenya, giving one example in each case.

[10

marks]

(iii) Explain three reasons why Agriculture research has been left a function of the National Government in Kenya whereas Agriculture is devolved. [6 marks]

QUESTION TWO

(i) Assume that you have been appointed a minister for agriculture in Kenya. Explain at least Five key policy concerns that you would like to address during the term appointment.

[10]

marks]

(ii) Policies for agriculture consist of government decisions that influence the level and stability of input and output prices, public investments affecting agricultural production and revenues and allocation of resources. Explain five ways in which these policies affect agriculture either directly or indirectly in Kenya. [10 marks]

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QUESTION THREE

- (i) Identify and explain four key roles of stake holders in the policy making process. [10 marks]
- (ii) Food safety situation in Kenya can be analysed in terms of strength and weaknesses. Explain any five ways in which this statement is justified. [10 marks]

QUESTION FOUR

- (i) Explain the five basic principles that make an agricultural strategy sustainable over the long run. [10 marks]
- (ii) Explain the policy formulating procedure applied by the ministry of Agriculture in Kenya. [10 marks]
