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**FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE
IN NATURAL RESOURCES**

ENSC 807: RESOURCE USE CONFLICTS AND RESOLUTION

STREAMS: MSC NARE (Y1S2)

TIME:3 HOURS

DAY/DATE: THURSDAY 13/04/2023

2.30 P.M. –5.30 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS

- i. Question ONE is compulsory and select any other two.
 - ii. Do not write anything on the question paper
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1. a) Using suitable examples, discuss factors that make natural resources sustained reason for the worst armed conflicts within and between some countries in the world (10 marks)
 - b) Discuss suggested intra and inter country interventions that can be used to solve resource use conflicts in developing countries (10 marks)
 2. a) Discuss using examples the assertion that ‘conflict over natural resources is often part of, and exacerbates, a larger struggle over political, economic, cultural, religious issues in the society’ (10 marks)
 - b) Using examples, discuss how true is the assertion that ‘natural resources can play a role in resolving and managing conflict and in preventing the reoccurrence of violence in the post-conflict environment’ (10 marks)
 3. a) Some arid and semiarid areas in Kenya (ASALs) are characterized by armed local conflicts. Using appropriate examples, discuss the role of natural resources in these conflicts and how they can be resolved once and for all. (10 marks)
 - b) Discuss by identifying the role of politics and political instability and cultural divides in the resource conflicts witnessed in the ASAL(s) regions of Kenya (10 marks)

4. a) Discuss how power can be used to increase conflicts and how it can be used in conflict resolutions. (10 marks)
- b) Discuss the use of public relations and public opinions in resource use conflicts resolutions (10 marks)
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