Uganda CDarcyrs University Faculty of Agriculture OA/16 Applied Ethics and Social Accountability

Coursework Semester One: 2015-2016 Submission Deadline: 6th November 2015

Instruction:

- Attempt one question from each section
- Type your work, font 12, spacing 1.5, alignment: justify
- The entire coursework should comprise of not more than 15 pages

Section One

- Assess the relevancy of ethics in organic agriculture in today's world of genetically modified foods.
- 'Normative ethics seems weak at helping solve real problems unless there is some form of contextualization, referred to as contextualism' Coombs (1993). With examples discuss this statement using classical ethical theories.

Section Two

- 1. What is the relevancy of biomedical ethics in your country?
- 2. Write short notes on the following and show ethical considerations:
 - i. Human life versus use of synthetic fibers
 - ii. Abortion
 - iii. Infanticide
 - iv. Euthanasia
 - v. Capital punishment

Section Three

- 1. a) Assess the relevancy of environmental theories in your country of origin.
 - b) What are the challenges of these theories?
 - c) What would be the right approach based on your understanding?
- 2. 'Agriculture needs ethics because of the changing norms and values in society, the influence of new technologies and international trade liberation' (Apotheker, 2000). Examine this statement as an applied ethics student.

Section Four

- a) What are the beneficial aspect of social accountability to organic farmers near a Tea Factory and Diary Farm?
 - b) What are the challenges that can accrue as a result of the above?
- 2. Advise a person who wants to invest in a shop of organic products, how to balance between social responsibility and business ethics.