

## NGETTA CAMPUS FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE

# DIPLOMA IN AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS AND AGRIBUSINESS MANAGEMENT / BACHELOR OF AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS AND AGRIBUSINESS MANAGEMENT

# COURSE CODE; AGRI 1104/ DAE 1104 INTRODUCTION TO PRINCIPLES OF AGRONOMY

### FINAL ASSESSMENT

### **ACADEMIC YEAR 2023/2024 SEMESTER ONE**

#### **BAEM I/ DAEM I**

**DATE: 14<sup>TH</sup>/DEC/2023** 

TIME ALLOWED:3 HOURS (9:00am-12:00pm)

#### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Attempt any four questions of choice
- All questions carry equal marks
- Start every question on a new page
- *Do not write anything on the question paper*
- **1.**Discuss the basic principles of agronomy practiced by most farmers in Uganda today (25marks)
- **2a.** Define compost manure (2marks)
- **b.** State five advantages of making compost manure (**5marks**)
- **c.** Using illustration, clearly explain the procedure for making compost manure using a heap method (**18marks**)
- **3a.** Briefly discuss how important agronomy is to the development of economy through agricultural production enhancement (**10marks**)

- **b** Explain the factors determining the yield potential of a commercial farmer specializing in annual crop production in your area (15marks)
- **4.** Discuss how the following agronomic practices affect the crop performance in your community (25marks)
  - a) Land preparation (5marks)
  - b) Seeds selection (5marks)
  - c) Planting and spacing (5marks)
  - d) Fertilizer application (5marks)
  - e) Weed control (5marks)
- **5.** Discuss the various measures implemented by most farmers to utilize the available growth resources for enhance crop production (**25marks**)
- **6.** Discuss the management strategies used by agriculturalist to increase their crop yields and growth as a basis for increased production. (**25marks**)
- 7a. Explain Agro-ecosystem (5marks)
- **7b.** Explain the eight components of agro-ecosystem giving examples and illustration where necessary (**15marks**)
- **8a.** Discuss the various constraints to agricultural production as a country's limitations to food security (**15marks**)
- **b.** What strategies are being taken by the government to solve the above insecurity (10marks)

### **GOOD LUCK & MERRY X-MASS**