

Uganda Martyrs University

Faculty of Agriculture

Semester I Final Assessment: 2015/2016

B. Agriculture Year 3

Course Unit: RDE 3201: RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Time: 9:30 am – 12:30 pm

Date: Thursday, 03RD December, 2015

Instructions:

- (a) Read all instructions carefully
 - (b) Attempt four (4) questions
 - (c) Time allowed three hours
 - (d) Please read the instructions carefully before answering the questions
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1. Discuss the view that subsistence rural agriculture is detrimental to natural resources; provide practical/applied ways of transforming subsistence agriculture into sustainable agriculture(25marks)
 2. With the prevailing complexity of land tenure systems in Uganda; what are the costs and huddles that must be jumped to enhance agricultural production for rural small holder landless farmers ; what is the most suitable land tenure systems for this group and why?(25Marks)
 3. Describe the most important natural resources for rural farmers and the importance of each one of them to sustainable rural development (25 Marks)
 4. Discuss the gender roles and gender limitations of different gender groups in agriculture What are the fundamental Agricultural needs (25 marks)
 5. Taking examples from your own community, list different indigenous knowledge systems used in increasing/improving soil fertility (25 marks)
 6. Rural development can only be achieved if the resilience capacity of the small-scale and family farms (social & economic: equity issue, farmer status, land ownership, women empowerment) is addressed; discuss the merits of the statement (25Marks)