



**NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA  
FACULTY OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES  
JANUARY 2018 EXAMINATION**

**Course Code: AEM741**

**Course Title: Rural Sociology**

**Credit Unit: 2**

**Time Allowed: 2 Hours**

**Instruction: Answer question 1 and any three (3) Questions**

1.
  - a. Rural and Urban settings are differentiated in the dimensions of occupation, social differentiation, social mobility and social solidarity, discuss. **12 marks**
  - b. Discuss the different agricultural practices prevalent in the rural areas. **9 marks**
  - c. State four reasons why rural population differs from urban population in relation to age. **4 marks**
2.
  - a. State reasons why people move from one place to another. **5 marks**
  - b. State the characteristics and five importance of voluntary organizations **10 marks**
3.
  - a. Explain the term Social Status. **5 marks**
  - b. State the Social Values found in the rural areas of Nigeria. **10 marks**
4.
  - a. Discuss the three types of identifiable powers from the sociological point of view. **5 marks**
  - b. What are the characteristics that influence effective leadership? **10 marks**
5. Write short notes on any five headings
  - a. Shifting Cultivation **5marks**
  - b. Mechanized farming **5marks**
  - c. Hoe Culture **5 mark**
6.
  - a. Conceptualize Rural and Urban settings under Nigerian setting. **5 marks**
  - b. Explain the different scientific methods employed by rural sociologists in their investigation. **10 marks**