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FACULTY OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES
FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION: JUNE/JULY
June/July 2017 Examination

Programme: Agricultural Extension and Management

Course Code: AEM 458

Course Title: Extension Services in Pilot Rural Development

Credit Unit: 3

Total Score: 100 Marks

Time

Allowed: 3 Hours

**Instruction: Answer any four (5) Questions, All Questions carry
equal Marks**

1.
 - a. Explain briefly the concept of rural development practice from the view point of a pilot rural development project.
 - b) List out the objectives of rural development.
 - c) Mention the five steps involved in achieving the objectives of a pilot project
(20 Marks)
2. From your understanding of rural development projects in Nigeria identify the three approaches to rural development projects being practiced in Nigeria and explain fully any one of them highlighting demerits of the model if there are. **(20 Marks)**
3.
 - a. What do you understand by the concept of community development strategy of rural development?
 - b) Describe briefly the two approaches to community development in Nigeria.
(20 Marks)
4. Explain the trends in marketing of agricultural commodities in rural areas and the problems faced by the rural people in marketing their products.
(20 Marks)
5. Training staff for rural development projects involves the training of governmental and non-governmental staff and local leaders; identify the areas of need for such training and its importance. **(20 Marks)**
6.
 - a. Explain farm input and its impacts in agricultural development of the community.

- b) Describe the three types of utilities, which marketing will add to farm products. **(20 Marks)**
- 7. The packaged model has its roots from diffusion theory of development in which innovations developed from outside are brought to the rural areas by a presumed beneficent change agent. Discuss your understanding of this statement from the rural development approach point of view in Nigeria. **(20 Marks)**