

NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA 14-16 AHMADU BELLO WAY, VICTORIA ISLAND LAGOS SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY MAY/JUNE 2012 EXAMINATION

ACP 305PRINCIPLES OF CROP PROTECTION

Time Allowed: 2hrs Date: May/June 2012

Instruction: Answer any <u>four</u> questions

1. (a). What are crop pests?

- (b). Discuss the conditions that promote pest incidence on crops
- (c). Distinguish clearly between the following pairs of terms:
 - (i). Economic threshold and Economic injury level
 - (ii). Major/Key pests and Potential pests
- 2. (a). Give common names and scientific names of three important insect pests of a named
 - (i). Cereal
 - (ii). Legume
 - (iii). Root and Tuber crop
 - (b). Discuss the principles of pest control
 - (c). Discuss the damages caused by storage pests
- 3. (a). Discuss the damages done to crops by rodents, birds and nematodes
- (b). List the measures you would take in the control rodents, birds and nematodes.
 - 4. (a). What are weeds?
 - (b). Discuss the effects of weeds in crop production
 - (c). List the principles guiding weed management
 - (d). List five herbicides used in weed control
 - 5. (a). What is plant disease?
 - (b). List the categories of storage pests
 - (c). List three pests of storage products
- (d). Discuss the precautionary measures for the control of pests in stored products.
 - 6. (a). State the causal organism, symptoms and control measures of the following diseases:
 - (i). Swollen shoot disease of cocoa

- (ii). Groundnut leaf spot disease(iii). Root-knot disease of yam(b). Distinguish clearly between an Epiphytotic disease and Endemic diseases.