

## NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA 14-16 AHMADU BELLO WAY, VICTORIA ISLAND LAGOS SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2015 EXAMINATION

**COURSE CODE: AEC 308** 

**COURSE TITLE: PRINCIPLES OF FARM MANAGEMENT (2U NITS)** 

TIME ALLOWED: 2 HOURS

**INSTRUCTION:** Answer 4(four) Questions Only.

- (1) Identify and explain any five (5) possible ways risks can be minimized in farm business (25 mks)
- (2) a. State the law of diminishing return (5 mks)
  - b. List any ten (10) general principles of management (1 Mk each)
  - c. State 5 characteristics of capital (2 mks each)
- (3) a. List and briefly explain 5 sources of capital (3 mks each) b. If a farmer produced an output of 160 tons using a total variable cost of N480. Calculate the average variable cost (5 mks)
  - c. What is marginal cost (5 mks)
- (4) .Explain fully any 5 characteristics of cooperative societies that you know (5 mks each)
- (5) a. Define labour efficiency (5 mks each)
  - b. Distinguish between the two types of partnership business (10 mks)
  - c. State four methods of farm valuation (4 mks each)
- d. State 6 advantages of keeping farm records (6 mks)
- (6) Write short note on the following (5 mks each)
  - a. The scalar chain
- b. Opportunity cost
- c. Marginal cost
- d. Thrift and credit cooperative society

e.Overhead cost