

## NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA FACULTY OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION JANUARY/FEBRUARY, 2018

**Programme: Agricultural Extension and Management** 

**Course Title: Principles of Farm Management** 

**Course Code: AEC308** 

**Credit Unit: 2** 

Total Score: 70Marks Time Allowed: 2Hours

## **INSTRUCTION:**

Question one (1) is Compulsory. (25marks) and any other 3 questions (15marks each).

1a Differentiate between agricultural economics and Farm Management.
4mks

- b. (i) Briefly explain the scope of Farm management. **5mks** 
  - (ii) Explain why you think farm management is a science 6mks
- c. List ten (10) Problems facing Farm Management 10mks
- d. Explain why you think farm management is a science
- 2 a. There are many features of agricultural production which make farm management operations very difficult unlike industrial enterprises. List and explain five of such features. **10mks**
- b. The success of any farm manager depends on the type of decision s/he makes. List five types of farm management decisions that can help the manager to be successful **5mks**
- 3 a. What is the meaning of Labour. 5mks
  - b. Name five factors affecting supply of Labour 5mks
  - c. Enumerate the Characteristics of Labour 5mks
- 4 a. Explain what you mean by Single Proprietorship 5mks

- b. What are the advantages of Sole Proprietorship? 10mks
- 5. Write briefly on the following: **3mks each** 
  - (i) The Law of Diminishing returns
  - (ii)The Principles of Substitution
  - (iii) Costs
  - (iv) Opportunity cost
  - (v) Diversification and Specialisation
- 6. Discuss in detail the two major classes of costs and benefits of agricultural

projects. **15mks**