

NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA 14-16 AHMADU BELLO WAY, VICTORIA ISLAND LAGOS SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY MARCH/APRIL 2015 EXAMINATION

SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES

COURSE CODE: AEC 308

COURSE TITLE: PRINCIPLES OF FARM MANAGEMENT (2 UNITS)

TIME: 2 HOURS

Answer 4(four) Questions.

(1) a. Explain 5 essential steps that must be followed when making decision in Farm Management (20 mks)

- b. State the law of diminishing return (5 mks)
- (2) a. Define Farm Management (5 mks)
 - b. List any ten (10) general principles of management (10 mks each)
 - c. Distinguish between risk and uncertainty (10 mks each)
- (3) a. Give five (5) examples of input resources that can be combined to achieve least cost with output remaining constant (10 mks).
 - b. List 5 type of costs in agricultural production identified by Abbott and Makeham (1980) (5 mks)
 - c. If a farmer produced an output of 160 tons using a total variable cost of N480. Calculate the average variable cost (5 mks)
 - d. What is marginal cost (5 mks)
- (4) Discuss in partial details 5 types of capital and give example of each (25 mks)
- (5) a. Explain 5 Characteristics of Nigerian Agriculture (20 mks)
 - b. State 5 Characteristics of Land (5 mks)
- (6) Write short note on the following
 - a. Appreciation b. Types of Labour
 - c. Limited or Sleeping Partners d. Producers Cooperative Society
 - e. Profit or Net Farm Income (25 mks)