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Faculty of Agricultural Sciences
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Department: Agricultural Economics and Extension

Course Code: AEM458

Course Title: Extension Strategies 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

Q1. The packaged model has its roots from diffusion theory in which innovations developed from outside are brought to the rural areas by a change agent. Discuss your understanding of this statement from the rural development point of view in Nigeria. **(20 Marks)**

Q2. 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)**

Q3. List out the objectives of rural development and explain the five steps involved in achieving the objectives of a pilot project **(20 Marks)**

Q4. 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 two of them, highlighting demerits of the models if there are. **(20 Marks)**

Q5. What do you understand by the concept of community development strategy of rural development? Describe briefly the two approaches to community development in Nigeria. **(20 Marks)**

Q6. 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)**

Q7. a) Explain the impacts of farm input in agricultural development of the community and describe the three types of utilities, which marketing will add to farm products. **(20 Marks)**