

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

ANP 302 RUMINANT ANIMAL PRODUCTION TIME ALLOWED: 2HRS 30MINS

INSRUCTIONS: Answer Four (4) questions only. All questions carry equal marks TIME ALLOWED: 2.30Minutes

1a. With the aid of a diagramme describe the components of a ruminant stomach (10Marks)

- b. Highlight the relevance of ruminant livestock to the Nigerian economy (10Marks)
- c. Explain the functions of the mouth in cattle (5 Marks)
- 2a. With examples differentiate between *Bos Taurus* and *Bos Indicus* (5Marks)
 - b. Describe fully the following breeds
 - (i)Ndama
 - (ii) Red Sokoto Goat
 - (iii) Yankasa Sheep (5Marks each)
 - (iv) White Fulani
- 3a. As a husbandman how would you manage the breeding bull in your herd (12 Marks)
- b. Define the term heat period and describe the observable signs of heat in your heifer (13

Marks)

- 4a. List the mating systems you are aware of and describe fully any two (15Marks)
- b. What are the signs of lambing and how would you manage the lambing process in your farm

(10 Marks)

5a. What are the necessary factors to be considered when designing a ruminant livestock

house (9 Marks)

- b. Describe a house meant for intensively managed White Fulani catlle (8 Marks)
- c. What do you understand by the following
 - (i)Heifer
 - (ii) Buck
 - (iii) Ram
 - (iv)Ewe (2 Marks each)
- 6a. Describe the following farm management practices/ Farm equipments
 - (i) Debudding
 - (ii) Hoof trimming

- (iii)Docking(iv) Burdizzo castrator(v) Drenching gun (3 Marks each)

b.Write short notes on the following (a) Silage

- (b) Footrot (10Marks)