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Rain Semester Examination, 2010/2011 Bsc. Estate Management.

ESM 210: Agricultural Production II

Instruction: Answer two questions in each section but note that question 1 in section A is compulsory.

Time Allowed: 2hrs

SECTION A

- (1) Discuss the appropriate rural development strategies for poverty alleviation of a known rural community in Nigeria. 25 marks.
- (2a) Distinguish between Economic Growth and Economic Development and discuss the implications of this distinction for rural development. 10 marks
- (b) State briefly, the major problems in rural development. 5 marks
- (3a) Discuss the objective of rural development with respect to resource control in Nigeria. 5 marks
- (b) Define briefly the following:
- (i) Holistic Approach
- (ii) Agricultural Extension
- (iii) Sectorial Approach
- (iv) Regional Approach
- (v) Community development 10 marks.

SECTION B

- (4) In pursuance of rural development, government embarks on some programmes that are capable of bringing about this laudable goals. Identify the major programmes that had been initiated in Nigeria and discuss the strengths and weaknesses of the Directorate for Food Roads and Rural Infrastructure in Nigeria. 15 marks

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(5a) Explain the advantages of Economies of Scale as a tool capable of fostering rural development in Nigeria. 5 marks

(b) Table Z below depicts the productivity levels of three agricultural farms under different modes of operations. The output levels for the peasant, light tools and mechanized modes of operations are 1 tonne, 10 tonnes and 100 tonnes respectively.

Complete the table by determining A,B,C,D and justify the need for large scale agricultural production as a key to rural development.

Table Z

Modes of operation	Output (Tonnes)	Unit Cost per Tonne	Sale price per tonne	Unit proceed	Total proceed
Peasant	1	5,000	6,500	1,500	1,500
Light tools	10	A	6,300	1,800	B
Mechanized	100	4,000	C	2,200	D

10 marks

(6) Write short notes on the following:

- a) Rural poverty and its reduction strategies. 5 marks
- (b) The distribution, features and importance of forestry in Nigeria. 5 marks
- (c) Development of water resources in Nigeria. 5 marks
- (d) River Basin Development Authority. 5 marks

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