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**MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF
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(MMUST)**

**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS
2021/2022 ACADEMIC YEAR**

**YEAR TWO SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS
(Main examination)**

DIPLOMA IN AGRICULTURE, DIPLOMA IN HORTICULTURE

COURSE CODE: DAG 077

COURSE TITLE: FARM POWER AND MACHINERY

DATE: 26THApril, 2022

TIME: 3-5 PM

Instructions:

This paper consists of 5 questions

Section A is compulsory, Answer any 3 questions from Section B

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- (b) Briefly describe the components and functioning of a boom sprayer
(5 marks)
- (c) Distinguish between the splash and force feed methods of tractor engine lubrication
(4 marks)

Question Four (15 marks)

- (a) Briefly describe the components and functioning sequence of a combine harvester, hence state how it can be customised for different grains
(7 marks)
- (b) Highlight the typical routine maintenance procedures that should be performed for
- i. The farm tractor
 - ii. Field machinery
(8 marks)

Question Five (15 marks)

- (a) Describe the procedure of calibration of a row planter**(5 marks)**
- (b) Outline the different methodologies in which tractor implements are hitched onto the tractor, and the respective implement type**(5 marks)**
- (c) Briefly discuss the criteria that as a farm supervisor you would adopt in basic
- i. Machinery management
 - ii. Machinery storage
(5 marks)



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**THIRD YEAR SECOND SEMESTER MAIN EXAMINATION FOR THE
DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN AGRICULTURAL
ECONOMICS**

COURSE CODE: AEN 303

COURSE TITLE: IRRIGATION AND DRAINAGE PRACTICES

DATE: 25TH APRIL, 2022

TIME: 3-5PM

Instructions to candidates

- This paper consists of two sections
- Answer **ALL** questions in **SECTION A** and **TWO** questions in **SECTION B**.
- All symbols have their usual meanings unless otherwise stated.
- One Cartesian graph paper should be provided.
- Candidates should not write anything on the question paper.
- Time allowed is **TWO (2)** hours.

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Distance from furrow head (m)	Advance time (mins)
0	0
10	1.5
20	3.5
30	6.0
40	10.0
50	19.0
60	30.0

Use of double ring infiltrometer gave $i = 2.5t^{-0.5}$ and $Di = 50\text{mm}$. Estimate the length of furrow to keep deep percolation minimum (10 marks)

Question FIVE

(10 marks)

A cotton crop is to be grown in an area designated for sprinkler system. The following data is available: DRZ = 0.8m, ETc = 6mm/day, MAD = 70%, FC = 28%, PWP = 16%, B.d = 1.2g/cm³. A period of 2 days is required for various farm operations and the system efficiency is 85%. If the water is sprinkled at a rate of 8 mm/hr and there are 2 rest days, compute:

- i. Net Water Requirement (NWR) (2 marks)
- ii. Gross Water Requirement (GWR) (2 marks)
- iii. Irrigation Interval (II) (2 marks)
- iv. Design Irrigation Interval (Design II) (2 marks)
- v. Duration of water application (2 marks)