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MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (MMUST)

(Main Campus)

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR

MAIN EXAMINATIONS

THIRD YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

FOR THE DEGREE OF

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DISASTER PREPAREDNESS AND ENVIRONMENTAL
TECHNOLOGY

AND

DISASTER MITIGATION AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

COURSE CODE: DPE 306

COURSE TITLE: ENVIRONMENTAL MODELLING

DATE: 13/12/2023

TIME: 3-5PM

Instructions to Candidates

This paper contains FOUR (4) questions

Question **one is compulsory** {total =30 Marks}

Attempt **any other two** (2) {total = 40 Marks} from the remaining questions

Be brief and to the point

MMUST observes ZERO tolerance to examination cheating

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SECTION 1: COMPULSORY {30 MARKS}

Question ONE

- a) With the help of a sketch, illustrate five sub-models that comprise a complete model (6 Marks)
- b) Briefly describe a model as a means of communicating Science and the results of science (4 Marks)
- c) State the importance of modelling the environment (5 Marks)
- d) With an aid of a diagram, briefly discuss Cause and Effect for estuary eutrophication due to excessive nutrient loadings (5 Marks)
- e) State fundamental objectives of conceptual models (5 Marks)
- f) Using a sketch, describe mechanistic models (5 Marks)

SECTION II: ATTEMPT ANY OTHER TWO (2) QUESTIONS {40 MARKS}

Question TWO

- a) Discuss Reynolds Transport Theorem (RTT) using its general form of derivatives of integrated quantities (10 Marks)
- b) With an aid of a sketch, state and discuss Scientific method (extended) for representations of real-world systems (10 Marks)

Question THREE

- a) With an aid of sketch, discuss the role of conceptual models in the overall system qualify life cycle (14 Marks)
- b) With an aid of a diagram, describe mathematical models in environmental modelling (6 Marks)

Question FOUR

With an aid of sketches, describe Kelly's and Manitoba models in disaster management (20 Marks)

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