

MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (MMUST)

SPECIAL/ SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION 2021/2022 ACADEMIC YEAR

FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

COURSE CODE:

LIT 101

COURSE TITLE:

EAST AFRICAN ROSE AND DRAMA

DATE: WEDNESDAY 3RD AUGUST 2022 TIME: 11.00 AM - 1.00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

Answer Question one and any other two questions

TIME: 2 HOURS

MMUST observes ZERO tolerance to examination cheating

> This paper consists of 2 printed pages. Please turn over.

- 1. Discuss six dominant thematic issues that East African literary writers engage with. Illustrate from a play and a novel from the region studied in the course. (30 mks)
- 2. Discuss the effectiveness of Biblical allusions as used by Ngugi wa Thiong'o in his portrayal of Mau Mau in *A Grain of Wheat*. (20 mks)
- 3. Demonstrate the insights that Yvonne Owuor's novel *Dust* presents in regard to Kenya's troubled histories. (20 mks)
- **4.** Discuss Francis Imbuga's portrayals of Kenya's troubled histories in *Betrayal in the City*. (20 mks)
- 5. In reference to a text from Tanzania or Somalia, discuss the main issue the author addresses and what it says about the society of its setting.

6. Either

Discuss John Ruganda's portrayals of Ugandan histories in *Shreds of Tenderness* and *Black Mamba* (20 mks)

Or

Critique Robert Serumanga's Majangwa: The Promise of Rains. (20 mks)