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MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (MMUST)

MAIN CAMPUS

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2022/2023 ACADEMIC YEAR

FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS FOR THE DEGREE OF MSC. PLANT BREEDING (MAIN EXAMINATIONS)

COURSE CODE: APB 812

COURSE TITLE: MOLECULAR BIOLOGY AND MICROBIAL

GENETICS

DATE: 19.04.2023

TIME: 2-5PM

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

Answer any THREE (3) questions

TIME: 2 hours

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1)	Dis	scuss	
	a)	The concept of the gene	(10 Marks)
	b)	Gene structure and architecture (give examples)	(10 Marks)
2)			
	a)	Discuss the following terms	
i		Gene expression	(5 Marks)
ii		Gene regulation	(5 Marks)
	b)	Explain how gene expression occurs on	
i		Prokaryotes	(5 Marks)
ii		Eukaryotes	(5 Marks)
3)		a) Discuss the major stages of a PCR	(10 Marks)
		b) Name and describe any four PCR-based technologies	(10 Marks)
4) a. Discuss the concept of GMO and its role in improving livelihoods			(10 Marks)
	a)	What the major concerns about GMO (consider the case of Kenya)	(10 Marks)