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**MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF  
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY  
(MMUST)**

**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS**

**2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR**

**FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER MAIN EXAMINATIONS**

**FOR THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE**

**IN**

**DISASTER MITIGATION AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

**COURSE CODE: DSM 113**

**COURSE TITLE: BIODIVERSITY AND SUSTAINABLE  
DEVELOPMENT**

**DATE: 5/12/2023**

**TIME: 12-2 P.M**

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Question ONE (1) is compulsory  
Answer any other TWO (2) questions

MMUST observes ZERO tolerance to examination cheating



### **QUESTION ONE (30 Marks)**

- a) Discuss the significance of biodiversity to humans and the environment (14 Marks)
- b) Discuss the three main levels of biodiversity (6 Marks)
- c) Discuss global, regional and local threats to biodiversity in Africa (10 Marks)

### **QUESTION TWO (15 Marks)**

- a) Explain the importance of emphasizing on biodiversity conservation in the contemporary society (5 Marks)
- b) Examine the importance of biodiversity in attainment of sustainable development goals (10 Marks)

### **QUESTION THREE (15 Marks)**

- a) Discuss the principles of biodiversity embraced in their relationship with humans. (5 Marks)
- b) Discuss the key pillars of sustainable development and their application to biodiversity (10 Marks)

### **QUESTION FOUR (15 Marks)**

- a) Using relevant examples from your community, discuss the challenges facing Africa in the implementation of sustainable development in the context of biodiversity conservation. (10 Marks)
- b) Using relevant examples from your community, explain the concept 'Ex-situ' and the methods applied in ex-situ biodiversity conservation. (5 Marks)