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2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR

FOURTH YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN PUBLIC HEALTH

COURSE CODE: HEH 411

COURSE TITLE: PUBLIC HEALTH LAWS

DATE: 5/12/23

TIME: 8.00-10.00 AM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

The paper has two sections A and B. Answer any TWO questions in section A and B

MMUST observes ZERO tolerance to examination cheating

Paper Consists of 2 Printed Pages. Please Turn Over



SECTION A: Short Answer questions (SAQs) 40 marks

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

- i. There are eight (8) questions in this section.
- ii. Answer all the eight questions. Each Question is 5 marks
- iii. Answer the questions in the space provided

SAQ1. Define the following terms as applied in law. (5 marks)

- i. Public health laws (2 marks)
- ii. *Ultra vires* (1½ marks)
- iii. *Stare decisis* (1½ marks)

SAQ2. State four Sources of Public Health Laws in Kenya? (5 marks)

SAQ3. Explain the importance of public health regulations in preventing disease outbreaks (5 marks)

SAQ4. Briefly explain the role of government agencies in implementing public health laws in Kenya (5 marks)

SAQ5. How do public health laws address public health issues in the society? (5 marks)

SAQ6. State four principal purposes and functions of law. (5marks)

SAQ7. Give the difference between Mens rea and Actus Reus? (5 marks)

SAQ8.State the difference between civil law and criminal law (5 marks)

PART III: LONG ESSAY QUESTIONS (LEQ) (30 Marks)

INSTRUCTIONS:

- (I) THERE ARE THREE (3) QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION
- (II) ANSWER ANY TWO(2) OF THE THREE (3) QUESTIONS
- (III) START EACH QUESTION ON A FRESH PIECE OF PAPER OF THE BOOKLET

LAQ1.Discuss the different types of public health laws in Kenya, and explain how they do support the achievement of public health goals (15marks)

LAQ2. Discuss the importance of compliance and enforcement of public health laws in Kenya. (15Marks)

LAQ 3.Discuss the powers of a public health officer as prescribed in the public health Act Cap 242 and food drugs and chemical substances act cap 254 laws of Kenya. Cite specific sections of the laws stating the powers contain there in. (15Marks)