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SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER

PROGRAMME:

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- M.SC. IN AG. EDUC. & EXT. YEAR 1**

COURSE CODE: **AEM 105**

TITLE OF PAPER: **INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTERS**

TIME ALLOWED: **TWO (2) HOURS**

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS IN ALL SECTIONS.**
- 2. ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS IN THE ANSWER BOOKLET PROVIDED**
- 3. QUESTIONS CARRY MARKS AS INDICATED IN THIS PAPER.**

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THE CHIEF INVIGILATOR**

1. What program that we have used in class is in control of the computer if there is a title bar, a menu bar, a tool bar and a power bar at the top of the screen and a status bar at the bottom. In between is blank except for the cursor and the mouse pointer. Draw a mental picture of the internal memory in this case. [10 marks]
2. Distinguish between internal and external MS-DOS commands and give three examples of each. [10 marks]
3. List five necessary precautions for handling diskettes. [10 marks]
4. Describe the general usefulness of a spreadsheet program. [10 marks]
5. Distinguish between ANALYSIS and SYNTHESIS in sound processing and compare their difficulty. [10 marks]
6. Draw and label the complete input/output model for computer process control for controlling temperature in a greenhouse, assuming input and output are analog. [10 marks]
7. Describe briefly the features of an Expert-system, and the problems of developing one. [10 marks]
8. Distinguish between a local area network and a wide area network. [10 marks]
9. List the six steps in systems analysis/development, as presented in lecture, and describe each step briefly. [20 marks]