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FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER

PROGRAMME: B.Sc. in Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness Management

COURSE CODE: AEM 408

TITLE OF PAPER: AGRICULTURAL AND FOOD POLICY

TIME ALLOWED: TWO (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTION: 1. ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS
2. EACH QUESTION CARRIES TWENTY FIVE (25) MARKS

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QUESTION 1

Discuss in details the effect of agricultural price policies on the production of valuable crops in Swaziland. **[25 MARKS]**

QUESTION 2

a). Discuss the stages involved in the agricultural and food policy formation process. **[15 MARKS]**

b). Discuss why agriculture is important in the economic development of a country. **[10 MARKS]**

QUESTION 3

Discuss the rationale and challenges that are associated with the policy of food aid programmes in Swaziland as faced by the small scale farmers. **[25 MARKS]**

QUESTION 4

Explain with the aid of a diagram, how each of the following policy instruments affects the domestic market:

a). Price Fixing **[7 MARKS]**

b). Legislated credit **[6 MARKS]**

c). Input tax **[5 MARKS]**

d). Producer price subsidy on importable **[7 MARKS]**