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FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER

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

COURSE CODE: AEM 407

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

a) What is Agricultural and Food Policy? **[6 MARKS]**

b) Agricultural and Food Policy changes steadily over time. What are today's major forces for policy change?. **[3 MARKS]**

c) Name and briefly explain two types of market failure in the agricultural and food industry. In your discussion you must mention policy interventions to correct the market failure. **[10 MARKS]**

d) When do we call an allocation in consumption and production as Pareto Efficient?. You must use mathematical derivation to explain the concept. **[6 MARKS]**

QUESTION 2

a) What is implementation failure? and what are the reasons for policy failure? **[10 MARKS]**

b) Policy analysis consists of tracing through the consequences of government interventions in a market, or series of linked markets, to determine the price and quantity changes induced by the policy intervention, and the welfare effects of these changes. The government of Eswatini is currently providing fertilizers subsidy to maize farmers. Advise the Minister of Agriculture on the consequences of introducing this policy instrument. **[15 MARKS]**

QUESTION 3

Land tenure reform can contribute to economic development and sustainable livelihoods by strengthening rights in the communal areas (CAs). Discuss how these can be achieved. **[25 MARKS]**

QUESTION 4

In the formulation of Water Management Policy there is a need for Water Infrastructure Development and Management. Discuss the four key policy directives of Water Infrastructure Development and Management. **[25 MARKS]**