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FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER

**PROGRAMME: BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ANIMAL
SCIENCE III**

COURSE CODE: AS 307

TITLE OF PAPER: REPRODUCTIVE PHYSIOLOGY

TIME ALLOWED: TWO (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER ANY FOUR (4) QUESTIONS

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What are the components of the male reproductive capacity? Discuss how these components are affected by other factors.

(25 marks)

QUESTION 2

a) Discuss the different methods of pregnancy diagnosis in cattle. Which method is commonly used and why?

(15 marks)

b) What mechanisms are involved in the transport of spermatozoa out of the testicle?

(10 marks)

QUESTION 3

Parturition in the cow is divided into three stages. Briefly describe the events that occur prior to onset of parturition in the cow, the 3 stages of parturition and the hormones involved.

(25 marks)

QUESTION 4

Discuss the following events in the male and female
Reproduction.

- (a) Mammary gland development. (10 marks)
- (b) Testicular descent in the male. (10 marks)
- (c) Changes associated with puberty in the male. (5 marks)

QUESTION 5

- a) Describe the key consideration when constructing
a semen collection facility. (15 marks)
- b) Discuss fertilization and the mechanism(s) that
prevent polyspermy. (10 marks)