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PROGRAMME: BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ANIMAL SCIENCE 2
BACHELOR OF ANI. SCI. DAIRY YEAR 2
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN AGRIC. ECON &
AGRIC. BUSINESS MANAGEMENT YEAR 2

COURSE CODE: CPR211

TITLE OF PAPER: PRINCIPLES OF CROP PRODUCTION

TIME ALLOWED: 2 HOURS

INSRUCTIONS: ANSWER QUESTIONS 1 [COMPULSORY] AND ANY
OTHER THREE [3] QUESTIONS OF YOUR CHOICE

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QUESTION 1 [COMPULSORY QUESTION]

A farmer in the Upper Middleveld intends to grow field beans. Advise the farmer under the following headings;

- a. Seedbed preparation (5 marks)
- b. Time of planting (5 marks)
- c. Fertiliser application (5 marks)
- d. Disease and pest avoidance (5 marks)
- e. Harvesting and storage (5 marks)

[25 marks]

QUESTION 2

Differentiate between the following and give examples where possible.

- a) Conventional tillage and minimum tillage [5 marks]
- b) Major nutrient and minor nutrient [4 marks]
- c) Fertilisers and manures [4 marks]
- d) Cash crop and catch crop [4 marks]
- e) Interspecific and intraspecific crop competition [4 marks]
- f) Green manure crop and companion crop [4 marks]

[25 marks]

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QUESTION 3

- a). Explain how weeds are harmful to crops. [4 marks]
- b). Also explain integrated weed management. [4 marks]
- c). Describe how Nicolai Vavilov came up with the centres of origin for crops
[8 marks]
- d). How does seed dormancy promotes Agrobiodiversity. [4 marks]
- e). A maize farmer has been advised to plant maize at a seed rate of 25 kg/ha. However, after conducting a simple germination test she got 60 %. Advise the farmer on her next move as she prepares for planting. (5 marks)

[25 marks]

QUESTION 4

- a) Define Integrated Pest Management (IPM) [3 marks]
- b) List the six (6) Principles and practices of an IPM programme. [12 marks]
- c) List five (5) ways that a farmer can use to prevent the introduction of weeds in his or her field. [10 marks]

[25 marks]

QUESTION 5

- a) What is crop density? [3 marks]
- b) Discuss two advantages and two disadvantages of the rectangular planting pattern. [12 marks]
- b) Discuss any two cropping systems that can be practiced in Eswatini stating the merits and demerits of each system [10 marks]

[25 marks]