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**THIRD YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR BACHELOR OF
DEVELOPMENT STUDIES WITH IT**

CDS 304: AGRICULTURE AND DEVELOPMENT

DURATION: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

1. Answer question one and any other two questions.
2. Mobile phones are not allowed in the examination room.
3. You are not allowed to write on this examination question paper.

SECTION A: ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a. Discuss three roles of agriculture in the development of a country. (6 marks)
- b. In the literature of agricultural development, explain any three models. (6 marks)
- c. Highlight three ways in which land tenure system contributes to agricultural productivity. (6 marks)
- d. Describe three farming systems practiced in Kenya. (6 marks)
- e. There are several types of agricultural technologies. Elaborate on any three of these types of agriculture technologies. (6 marks)

SECTION B – ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a. Agriculture can be divided in to several branches. Explain any five of these branches. (10 marks)
- b. Describe five farming methods practised in Kenya. (5 marks)
- c. Enumerate five storage methods of harvested crops in Kenya. (5 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a. Explain five importance of farm inputs in agricultural productivity. (10 marks)
- b. Highlight five constraints of transport and marketing of agricultural produce. (5 marks)
- c. Describe five advantages of agricultural technology in development of agriculture. (5 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a. Suggest five ways in which the county governments can boost agricultural development in Kenya. (10 marks)
- b. Argue for and against free trade regime as applied to agriculture and international trade. (10 marks)