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FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER REGULAR EXAMINATION

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF HOTEL AND HOTEL AND HOSPITALITY

COURSE CODE:

STH 116

COURSE TITLE:

NATURAL HISTORY OF EAST

AFRICA FLORA AND FAUNA

DATE: 24TH APRIL, 2018

TIME: 9:00 AM - 12.00 NOON

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

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STH 116: NATURAL HISTORY OF EAST AFRICA FLORA AND FAUNA

STREAM: BH&HM	DURATION: 3 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- i. Answer Question ONE and any other TWO questions
- ii. Question ONE carries 30 marks
- iii. Do not write on the question paper

Question One

- a) Explain the meaning of the following terms
 - i) Species
 - ii) Amphibians
 - ii) Ecosystems
 - iv) Habitat
 - v) Niche (10 Marks)
- b) Categorize the world's biomes into 5 groups and in each case give an example. (10 Marks)
- c) Highlight the social and economic values of East African Reptiles and Amphibians. (10 Marks)

Question Two

- a) Discuss briefly five (5) types of habitats that birds may be found and explain the conducive condition for each habitat. (10 Marks)
- b) Outline two methods that Ornithologists use to study birds and briefly explain what is involved in each method. (10 Marks)

Question Three

- a) Identify the name given to scientists who study insects and outline the reasons why it is important to study insects (10 Marks)
- b) Explain some ways that can be used to control insects (10 Marks)

Question Four

Explain the meaning of protected areas and discuss the importance of managing these areas (20 Marks)

Question Five

Mammals are some of the most difficult groups to survey due to the generally low abundance at which they occur. Multiple techniques need to be used if an accurate assessment of the mammal fauna is to be made. Discuss the trapping techniques that can be used with various mammal groups.

(20 Marks)

