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THE KENYA NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL
DIPLOMA IN FOOD SCIENCE AND PROCESSING TECHNOLOGY

MODULE I

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

You should have the following for this examination:

Answer booklet;

Non-programmable scientific calculator.

This paper consists of TWO sections: A and B.

Answer ALL the questions in section A and any TWO questions from section B in the answer booklet provided.

Each question in section A carries 15 marks while each question in section B carries 20 marks.

Maximum marks for each part of a question are as shown.

Candidates should answer the questions in English.

This paper consists of 3 printed pages.

Candidates should check the question paper to ascertain that all the pages are printed as indicated and that no questions are missing.

SECTION A (60 marks)

Answer ALL questions in this section.

1.
 - (a) Define a conveyor. (1 mark)
 - (b) Describe the operation of a screw conveyor. (4 marks)
 - (c) Explain the qualities required of material used for construction of food processing plant equipment. (10 marks)

2.
 - (a) Name the different types of forces experienced during size reduction of dry solid food material. (3 marks)
 - (b) The energy required to reduce particles of a food raw material from a mean diameter of 1.0 cm to 0.3 cm is 11 kJ/kg. Calculate the energy required to reduce the same particles from a diameter of 0.1 cm to 0.01 cm assuming the following laws apply:
 - (i) Kick's law; (3 marks)
 - (ii) Rittinger's law. (3 marks)
 - (c) Explain **three** emergency utilities in a food processing plant. (6 marks)

3.
 - (a) Describe the quality indices considered in determining the suitability of food raw materials for processing. (4 marks)
 - (b) State **five** factors which affect the efficiency of spray washing. (5 marks)
 - (c) Explain the disadvantages of using quaternary ammonium compounds (QACs) in spray drum washing. (6 marks)

4.
 - (a) Explain the purpose for storing raw water prior to treatment. (6 marks)
 - (b) Describe the different types of contaminants targeted in the treatment of boiler feed water. (4 marks)
 - (c) Explain the importance of stirring in sedimentation process of water treatment using flocculants. (5 marks)

SECTION B (40 marks)

Answer any TWO questions from this section.

5. (a) Explain **four** reasons for reducing biological oxygen demand (BOD) of wastewater from food processing plants before disposal. (8 marks)
- (b) Describe the operation of lagoons in waste treatment. (12 marks)
6. Explain the hygienic design, construction and layout of a food processing plant with respect to the following:
- (a) roof span and supporting pillars; (3 marks)
- (b) walls and ceilings; (6 marks)
- (c) floors; (6 marks)
- (d) ventilation; (3 marks)
- (e) lighting. (2 marks)
7. (a) Explain **six** factors considered when choosing the location of a food processing factory. (12 marks)
- (b) Describe **four** hazards in a food processing plant. (8 marks)
8. Describe the operation of each of the following comminution equipment:
- (a) Crushing rolls; (5 marks)
- (b) Hammer mill; (5 marks)
- (c) B ũ hr mill; (5 marks)
- (d) Ball mill. (5 marks)

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