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FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER

PROGRAMME:

B.SC. IN AGRICULTURE YEAR 4 (CP AND

HORTICULTURE OPTIONS)

COURSE CODE:

CP 404

TITLE OF PAPER:

PLANT PATHOLOGY

TIME ALLOWED:

TWO (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

ANSWER ANY FOUR (4) QUESTIONS

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QUESTION 1

- a) Distinguish between an obligate parasite and a facultative saprophyte. Give an example of each. (5)
- b) A previously unknown pathogen is suspected to cause disease. Explain how you can prove that the pathogen is indeed the cause of the disease (20)

(25)

QUESTION 2

a) Define inoculum and its different types

- (5)
- b) Explain the different ways by which pathogens penetrate their hosts

(25)

(20)

QUESTION 3

Discuss the role of each of the elements that lead to the development of a disease epidemic (25)

QUESTION 4

Discuss how plants use structural defence against pathogens

(25)

QUESTION 5

a) List the five types of spores that are produced by some rusts

(5)

b) Discuss the disease cycle of Puccinia graminis f.sp. tritici

(20) (25)