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**PAPER 1**

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**2 Hours**

**Instructions to Candidates**

- i. Write your name and index number in the spaces provided above.
- ii. Sign and write the date of examination in the spaces provided above
- iii. This paper consists of three sections A, B and C
- iv. Answer **all** the questions in section A and B
- v. Answer any **two** questions from section C
- vi. All answers should be written in the spaces provided.
- vii. This paper consists of 10 printed pages
- viii. Candidates should check the question to ascertain that all questions are printed as indicated and no questions are missing.

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<b>Section</b>	<b>Question</b>	<b>Maximum</b>	<b>Candidate's score</b>
A	1-15	30	
B	16-20	20	
C		20	
		20	
	<b>TOTAL SCORE</b>	<b>90</b>	

**SECTION A (30MARKS)**  
**Answer All questions in this section.**

1. State **four** disadvantages of monocropping in crop production (2 marks)

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2. Give **four** soil factors that influence soil productivity (2marks)

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3. State **two** benefits of optimum soil temperature in crop production (1mark)

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4. State **four** reasons for deep ploughing during land preparation (2marks)

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5. (a) State **three** factors to be considered before deciding on an irrigation in crop production (1½ marks)

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- (b) List **three** surface water sources found in a farm (1½ marks)

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6. List **four** types of a financial books a farmer should keep (2marks)

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7. (a) What is increasing returns in production (1mark)

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(b) What are **three** classification of farm credits according to the repayment periods (1½ marks)

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8. Name **one** physiological disease in tomatoes (½ mark)

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9. (a) State **two** criteria in which weeds can be classified (1mark)

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(b) State **four** factors that contribute to competitive ability of weed? (2marks)

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10. Give the reasons of carrying out the following (1mark)

i. Pricking out

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ii. Seed inoculation

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11. (i) Outline the ideal characteristics of green manure crop ( 1½mark)

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(ii) What is the function of top soil in the preparation of compost manure) (½ mark)

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12. Give **two** ways in which cover crop help to conserve water in the soil (1mark)

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13. Name **two** ways in which land consolidation helps to improve farm management . (1mark)

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14. (a) Explain the difference between fixed and variable costs in farming (1mark)

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(b) Give **four** variable costs in production of coffee in an established field of coffee (2marks)

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15. (a) Calculate the amount of  $K_2O$  contained in 400kg of compound fertilizer 25:10:5(2marks)

(b) State **four** importance of irrigation in farming (2marks)

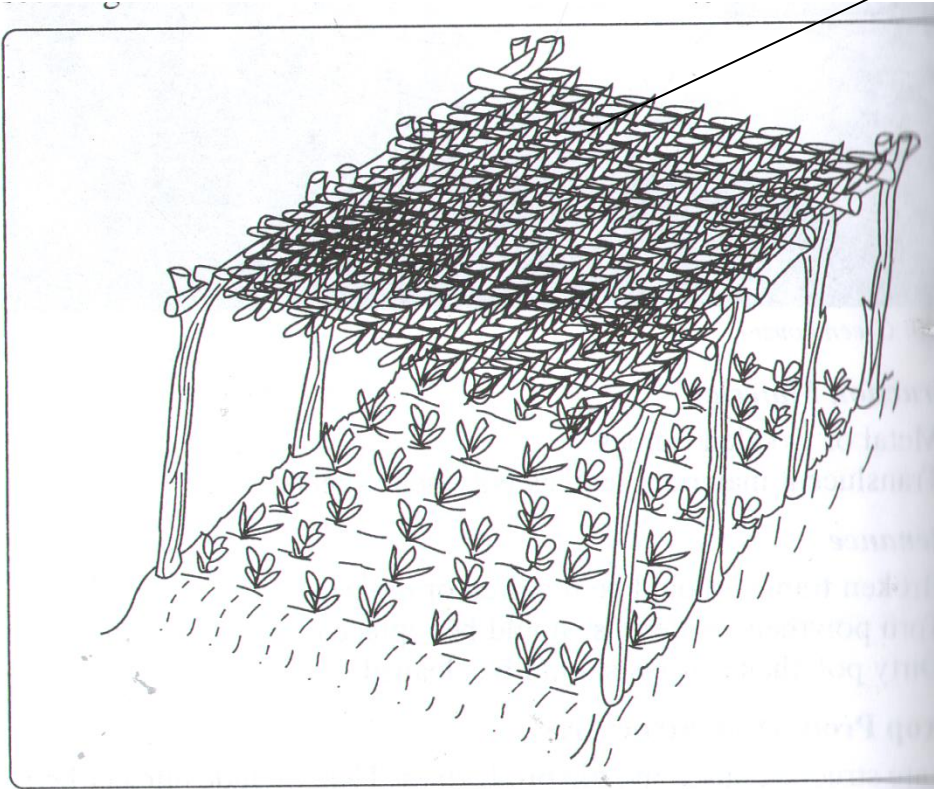
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**SECTION B (20MARKS)**

**Answer all questions in the spaces provided**

16. The following is crop production structure. Study it carefully and answer the questions that follow:

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a. (i) Identify the structure

( 1mark)

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b. Explain how practices which are carried out when the seedlings are being prepared for transplanting is done. (2marks)

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(ii) What is the recommended height of the crop structure

( ½ mark)

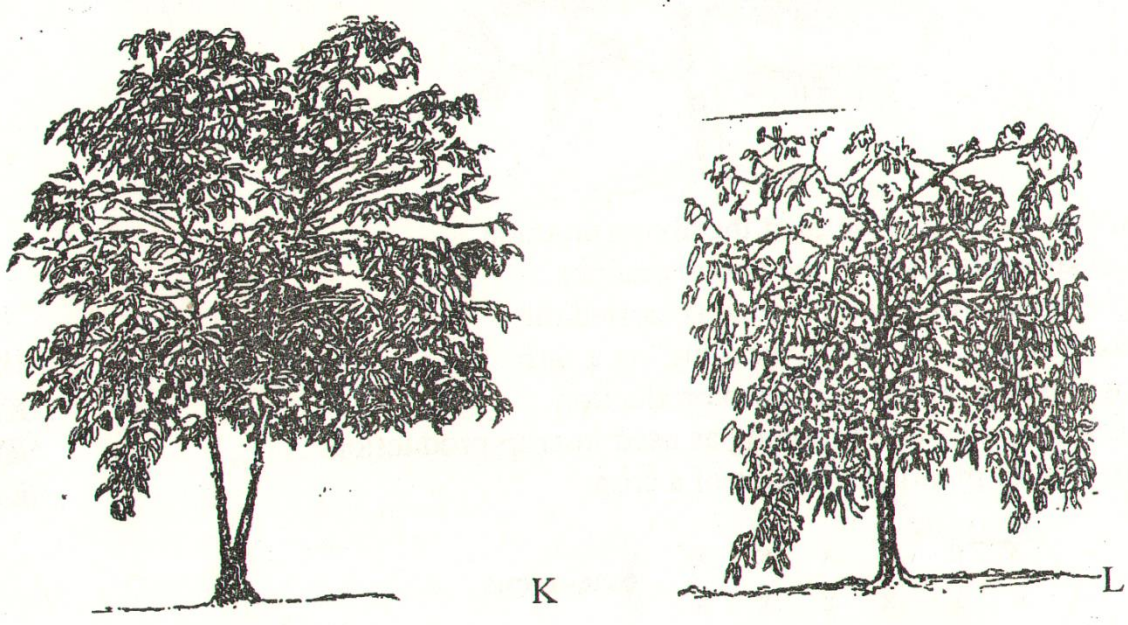
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(iii) What is the purpose of the part labeled A?

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17. Below are diagram K and L showing coffee plants established using two different formative pruning systems. Study them and answer the questions that follow:-



(a) Name the systems of pruning illustrated in the diagram labeled K and L (2marks)

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(b) Describe the procedure of carrying out the system labeled K. (3marks)

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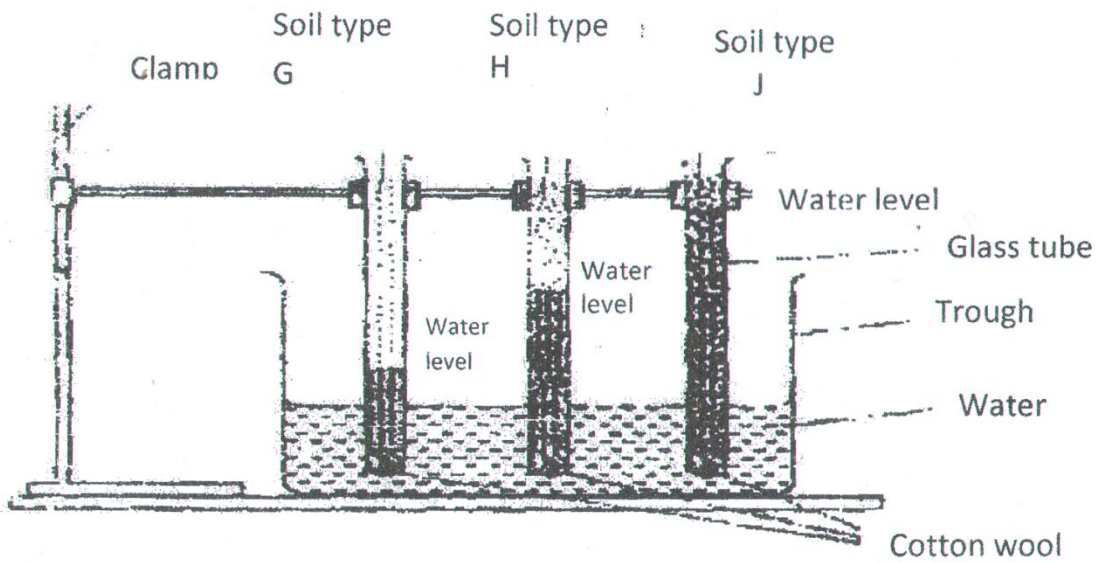
18. The following is a farm record for Mrs. Kamau had kept as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2014. Study it carefully and answer the questions that follow:-

	Ksh.
Cash in hand	20,000
Cash at bank	66,000
Buildings	50,000
Disc ploughs	16,000
Debtors	16,000
Working tools	12,000
Bank over draft	24,000
Creditors	20,000
Loan	50,000
Cattle	40,000
Land	80,000

Prepare balance sheet from the above information for Mrs. Kamau's farm. (5marks)



19. The diagram below shows an experiment set up using soil types G, H and J and observation made after 24 hours. Study the diagrams and answer the questions that follow:-



(i) What is the experiment above designed to study? (1mark)

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(ii) Name the three soil types G, H and J (1½marks)

G.....  
 H.....  
 J.....

(iii) What is the characteristic feature of soil types G and J (1mark)

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 J.....

(iv) State how a farmer would improve the structure of soil type G (1mark)

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**SECTION C (40 MARKS)**

**Answer any two questions in this section**

20. (a) On 5<sup>th</sup> January 2016 Biashara farm purchased the following items on credit from a KFA shop.
- 20 bags of dairy meal, 70kg each @ sh. 1100 per bag , 16bags of bran, 70kg each @sh. 700 per bag, 18 bags of DSP fertilizer, 50kg @ sh. 1,500 per bag 45 bags of maize seeds each 2kg @ sh. 300 per bag, 8 shearing knives (small sized @ sh. 300 per knife.
- (i) Prepare a purchase order that Biashara farm made to KFA (6marks)
- (ii) Calculate the value of each item purchased and the total value of the order (3marks)
- (b) Explain how various practices carried in the field help to control crop diseases. (8marks)
- (c) Explain three advantages of budgeting in a farm business (3marks)
21. (a) Explain eight factors that can encourage soil erosion (8marks)
- (b) Explain the ways farmers use to overcome risk and uncertainties in farming business (7marks)
- (c) Describe harvesting of tea (5marks)
22. (a) The tables below gives information on supply and demand schedules for tomatoes in a local market

Table 1 prices and quantities of tomatoes supplied

<b><u>Tomatoes (kg)</u></b>	<b><u>price per kg (Ksh.)</u></b>
150	16.00
130	14.20
125	13.80
112	13.00
106	12.70
85	11.80
50	10.60
42	10.40
30	10.20
25	10.10







