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University Examinations 2024/2025

SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DIPLOMA IN AGRICULTURE

AAD 2506: POST HARVEST HANDLING OF ANIMALS

DATE: DECEMBER 2024 TIME: 1½ HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer question **one** and any other **two** questions

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

| a) | Discuss three types of pasteurization | (6 marks) | |
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| b) | State four benefits of using sodium chloride | (4 marks) | |
| c) | List three ways which lead to post harvest losses | (3 marks) | |
| d) | List four similarities between preservation and processing | (4 marks) | |
| e) | Discuss the ritualistic method of slaughter | (5 marks) | |
| f) | State three similarities between meat processing and preservation | (4 marks) | |
| g) | State three methods of stunning | (3 marks) | |
| h) | Explain the term Grading | (1 marks) | |
| QUESTION TWO (15 MARKS) | | | |
| a) | Discuss five factors determining the quality of leather | (10 marks) | |
| b) | Distinguish between modified atmosphere packaging and vacuum packagi | nguish between modified atmosphere packaging and vacuum packaging | |
| | | (5 marks) | |

QUESTION THREE (15 MARKS)

| a) | Discuss four solutions of post-harvest | (8 marks) | |
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| b) | Discuss three parameters of grading milk | (7 marks) | |
| QUESTION FOUR (15 MARKS) | | | |
| a) | Discuss factors to be considered for planning of a good packaging | (10marks) | |
| b) | State and explain the importance of packaging products | (5marks) | |