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MAIN EXAMINATION

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FACULTY OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

ODEL PROGRAMME

MDS 506: AGRICULTURE AND DEVELOPMENT

Date: DECEMBER 2018

Duration: 3 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer ANY FOUR Questions

- Q1. Agriculture is the major user of scarce natural resources (85 percent of the developing world's fresh water withdrawal and 42 percent of its land). It is also a leading cause of underground water depletion, agrochemical pollution, soil exhaustion, loss of biodiversity through deforestation, and an important contributor to global climate change. Discuss. **(15marks)**
- Q2. Discuss the role Agriculture as a Trigger of Economic Growth. **(15marks)**
- Q3. Explore the Agriculture's Power for Poverty Reduction **(15marks)**
- Q4. The agriculture-for-development connections revealed by the evidence reviewed here have too often not been sufficiently exploited. Certainly agriculture has yet to perform as an engine of growth in most Sub-Saharan countries, where the labor force is rapidly urbanizing without per capita income growth. **(15Marks)**
- Q5. Strengthening the capacity of the state in its new roles of coordinating across sectors and partnering with the private sector and civil society is urgently needed. In your assessment of the course, explain how this can be achieved. **(15Marks)**
- Q6. Describe how the government of Kenya through the devolved functions can strengthen governance for the implementation of agricultural policies. **(15Marks)**

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