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Course Title: Technological and Social Change in Agriculture

Course Code: AEM508 Credit Unit: 2 Units Total Score: 70 Marks Time Allowed: 2Hrs

INSTRUCTION: Answer Three Questions Only

OUESTION ONE

- a. Explain in details your understanding of the term 'Technology' (6 mks)
- b. Mention the factors that must be taken into consideration when developing technology for the people of a social system (2 mks)
- c. Explain how social change can be experienced in technology, politics, cultural and economic style of life amongst the rural people. (10 mks)
- d. Analyze the various ways technology has changed the Health condition of the people in the present day scenario (6 mks)

QUESTION TWO

- a. The theories about social change have been generally concerned with a number of things which aim at explaining certain concepts. Expatiate on those factors the theories stand to reveal. (6 mks)
- b. For Agricultural Extension to be rated successful, it must meet up with the farmers and the nations interest through her set objectives. State four (4) of them (8 mks)
- c. Enumerate and discuss in details any three (3) factors why the village man would want improved technology transferred to the village to fail. (9 mks)

QUESTION THREE

- a. People regard change as a threat and so would slowly respond emotionally. In this instance, as a Manager, advance four (4) tactics you would apply to ensure acceptance of the change (6 mks)
- b. Analyze the various ways present day technology has changed the housing system from what it was in ancient times to present time (7 mks)
- c. The impact of technological change on agricultural productivity cannot be over emphasized. Justify this statement (10 mks)

QUESTION FOUR

- a. Succeeding in introducing change would require the change agent reducing the negative forces to a large extent. Describe the process through which he can succeed in introducing the change/innovation. (5 mks)
- b. In what ways can immanent change be different from contact change (8 mks)

c. The rate at which Abuja is developing is different from the rate at which Kaduna is