



# TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF MOMBASA

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FACULTY OF APPLIED AND HEALTH SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT & HEALTH SCIENCES

**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION FOR:**

DEGREE IN MARINE RESOURCE

BSMR 16S/YEAR1/SEMESTER 1

**AES 4101: INTRODUCTION TO MARINE RESOURCES**

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION

**SERIES: DECEMBER 2016**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

**DATE:** Pick Date Select Month Pick Year

## **Instructions to Candidates**

You should have the following for this examination

-Answer Booklet, examination pass and student ID

This paper consists of **TWO** Section(s). Attempt question ONE (Compulsory) and any other TWO questions.

**Circle the correct answer in section A.**

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## **QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)**

- i. List any 5 tropical coastal ecosystems (5 marks)
- ii. a) What are coral reefs? (1 marks)  
b) Differentiate between hermatypic and ahermatypic corals (4 marks)
- iii. List any 5 characteristics associated with fisheries resources (5 marks)
- iv. What are some of the impacts that are experienced from mangrove over-harvesting in tropical coastal environments? (5 marks)
- v. Briefly explain with relevant examples where applicable the exploitation of deep sea fisheries resources in terms of:  
a) Advantages (3 marks)  
b) Disadvantages (2 marks)
- vi. State the types of senses used for survival in marine mammals (5 marks)

## **QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

Discuss the distribution and occurrence of corals in the world in reference to any 5 limiting factors (20 marks)

## **QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

Discuss the tropical coastal and marine artisanal fisheries in terms of:

- a) their characteristics (15 marks)
- b) their importance (5 marks)

## **QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

Explain any 5 impacts associated with the over-harvesting of mangroves

## **QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

As a marine ecologist, explain the possible impacts to coastal and marine ecosystems in terms of:

- i. Tourism activities (4 marks)
- ii. Industrial activities (4 marks)
- iii. Maritime transportation activities (4 marks)
- iv. Overfishing (4 marks)
- v. Destructive fishing (4 marks)