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UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS FOR DEGREE IN BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN TOURISM MANAGEMENT

BHT 4208 : FLORA & FAUNA OF EAST AFRICA II

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

SERIES: DECEMBER 2013 **TIME:** 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

 Answer all questions in Section A and any other TWO questions in Section B.

This paper consists of Two printed pages

SECTION A (Compulsory)

QUESTION 1

a) Distinguish between reptiles and amphibians.

(10 marks)

b) Discuss the ecological and economic significance of species of order Anura in E. Africa.

(10

marks)

c) Highlight the conservation status of Anuran in E.Africa describe candidate conservation strategies for there species. (10marks)

SECTION B (Answer any **TWO** questions)

QUESTION 2

a) Outline the general morphological and behavioral characteristics identifying amphibians of the family Bufonida in wild.

(15 marks)

b) Write brief notes on the natural history of the reed frog,genus hyperolin illustrating your discussion With one species from this genus found in E.Africa. (10 marks)

QUESTION 3

a) Discuss the value of reptiles of the sub-order serpents in E.Africa.

(20 marks)

b) Identify conservation threats facing snakes populations in E.Africa, propose possible conservation strategies to mitigate these threats.

QUESTION 4

- a) Briefly describe the physical and behavioral characteristics distinguishing any two specific members of family pythondac and family elapidae. (10 Marks)
- b) Write short notes on the natural history of reptiles of order crocodylia typically found in Kenya's aquatic ecosystems.

(10 marks)

QUESTION 5

- a) Discuss the significance of tortoises and terrapins in the ecosystem in Kenya. (10 marks)
- **b)** Distinguish between
 - i) Leopard tortoise and bells hinged tortoise. (5marks)
 - ii) Cobra and Mambas (5marks)