BINDURA UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE EDUCATION FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

AG403

Department of Agricultural Economics, Education and Extension BSC Agricultural Sciences Part 4 Examination Agricultural Marketing

3 hours (100 Marks) INSTRUCTIONS

Answer any FOUR questions. Each question carries 25 marks.

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- 1. (a) Explain unique characteristics of Agricultural Marketing. [10marks]
 (b) Marketing mix explain how the organization has to communicate with the customer through the strategic window. Identify the elements of marketing mix and how they are related to each other. [15marks]
- 2 (a) The marketing process must add "utility" to the products consumers want. Define the term "utility".

[2marks]

- (b) Explain some utilities to be received from purchasing an agricultural product. [8marks]
- (c) Discuss the importance of Agricultural marketing in the development of Smallholder sector of Zimbabwe. [15marks]
- 3. Explain the following terms as they are used in Agricultural marketing

a) Skimming

[5marks]

b) Penetration

[5marks]

(c) Loss leader

[5marks]

(d) Cost plus

[5marks]

(e) Promotion

[5marks]

4. Explain the differences between Value chain marketing and traditional marketing system.

[25marks]

5. (a) Explain the phrase marketing communications.

[5marks]

(b) Explain five objectives of marketing communication in Agricultural Marketing.

[20marks]

6. Explain the problems associated with stabilizing agricultural products prices. [25marks]

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