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Programme: Agricultural Extension and Management Course Code: AEA 302 Course Title: Agricultural Finance Credit Unit: 3 Total Score: 70 Marks Time Allowed: 3 Hours Instruction: Answer four (4) Questions only (70marks)

- 1a. Explain the meaning of agricultural finance? Present your views using four (4) instances (4marks)
- b. Why do you think that farmers actually need credit to carry out their day-to-day activities? Support your claim with five (5) reasons (10marks).
- c. State five (5) advantages of efficient credit programme (5mark).
- 2a. Suggest 10 reasons why you consider credit an important variable in facilitating agricultural development (10marks)
- b. Identify and explain two aspects of financial management (7marks)
- 3a. Using five (5) examples, justify the meaning of opportunity cost (5marks).
- b. Highlight the usefulness and drawbacks of opportunity cost with respect to agricultural finance. Provide in each case six (6) evidences (12marks).

4a. State 10 importance of economic principles to farm financial management (10marks)b. Identify 7 causes of loan delinquencies in Nigeria (7marks)

- 5a. Give 10 reasons why it is necessary to financial intermediaries in agricultural financing (10marks)?
- b. Suggest seven causes of loan diversion in agricultural production in Nigeria (7marks)