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2023_1 POP EXAMINATION:

COURSE CODE: ESM 392

COURSE TITLE: REMOTE SENSING AND RADIATION PRINCIPLES

CREDIT: 2 Units

TIME ALLOWED: 2 Hours

Instruction: Attempt question number ONE (1) and any other TWO (2) questions. Question

number one (1) carries 30 marks, while the other questions carry (20) marks each.

QUESTION 1a. Give a brief explanation of remote sensing.

- b. State the regions of electromagnetic spectrum.
- c. Explain the processes of electromagnetic radiation.
- d. State and explain the processes involved in electromagnetic remote sensing.
- e. Distinguish between active and passive sensors.
- f. State the advantage of aerial photographs over on-site surveys

QUESTION 2 a. State three (3) modes of energy transfer.

- b. Expatiate on the visible portion of the electromagnetic spectrum.
- c. Define the term Radiation.

QUESTION 3 a. Categorize and provide examples of remote sensing platforms.

- b. Describe the process of atmospheric absorption.
- c. Explain the atmospheric scattering process of mie scatter.

QUESTION 4 a. State three (3) effects of energy interaction with earth surface features.

- b. Describe the term "wavelength dependency".
- c. Define spectral reflectance, $R\lambda$ mathematically.

QUESTION 5 a. State the factors affecting spectral reflectance on soil.

- b. Expatiate on sun-synchronous or polar orbiting satellite.
- c. Describe panchromatic imaging system.