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FACULTY: BASIC & APPLIED SCIENCES DEPARTMENT: BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION

2015/2016 ACADEMIC SESSION

COURSE CODE: MCB 408
TITLE: Soil Microbiology

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DURATION:

2 Hrs

NAME:.....MAT.No:.....

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer any FOUR questions

- 1. What are the contributions of soil atmosphere, water, pH and temperature to the biochemical activities of microorganisms in the soil?
- 2. Describe different groups of microorganisms found in the soil.
- 3. Explain different types of interactions or ecological relationships that exist among soil microorganisms.
- 4. With suitable illustration and explanation, describe the role of named microbes, under different processes, in cycling of nitrogen in the soil
- 5. Write short notes on each of the following:
 - (a) Rhizosphere microorganisms
 - (b) Role of arbuscular mycorrhiza (AM) fungus in the soil
 - (c) Influence of pesticides in soil microorgansims
- 6. (a) Explain the following terms and give examples of each
 - (i) Biodegradation
 - (ii) Biotransformation
 - (b) Discuss on microbial degradation of pesticide (DDT)