



The Co-operative University of Kenya

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**EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF CO-OPERATIVE
BUSINESS (YR IV SEM II)**

UNIT CODE: HCOB

UNIT TITLE: CO-OPERATIVE PHILOSOPHY

DATE: 9th DECEMBER 2019

TIME: 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer question **ONE (compulsory)** and any other **TWO** questions

QUESTION ONE

- (a) Define the following term as applied in Co-operatives. (2 Marks)
- (i) Co-operation
 - (ii) Synergy
 - (iii) Co-operative philosophy
 - (iv) Co-operative values
 - (v) Co-operative principles.
- (b) According to the ICA Statement of Co-operative Identity (1995), “A Co-operative is an autonomous association of persons united voluntarily to meet their common economic social, and cultural needs and aspirations through a jointly- owned and democratically controlled enterprise”. Explain underlined terms in the above statement. (2 Marks)
- (c) Describe the FOUR ethical values that Co-operative members believe in. (8 Marks)

QUESTION TWO

- (a) Differentiate between informal and formal types of cooperation. (8 Marks)
- (b) Explain any SIX differences between Co-operatives and Public Limited Companies. (12 Marks)

QUESTION THREE

- (c) Discuss the role of the International Co-operative Alliance (ICA) in the development of the global Co-operative Movement. (6 Marks)
- (d) Explain the contribution of each of the following key personalities to the development of Co-operative theory and practice;
- (i) Robert Owen
 - (ii) Frederick Raiffisen
 - (iii) William King
- (a) Explain the role of the Rochdale Pioneers’ Equitable Society in the development of modern Co-operative Movement in the world. (8 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR

- (a) Explain the organizational structure of the co-operative movement in Kenya. (8 Marks)
- (b) Explain the influence of Co-operative Schools of Thought in the way Co-operative organizations are organized and regulated. (12 Marks)

QUESTION FIVE

A group of dairy farmers from Kei village met to discuss how best they can process and market milk. Assume that you are a Co-operative Officer;

- (a) Advise the farmers on the advantages of forming a Co-operative enterprise. (10 Marks)
- (b) Explain to the farmers the procedure for registering a Co-operative enterprise. (10 Marks)