

EASTERN UNIVERSITY SRILANKA
FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION IN AGRICULTURE (2010/2011)
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AE 1101 – FARM MECHANIZATION
Practical Examination

Answer all questions
Time: 02 hrs

01. A four cylinder 4 stroke diesel engine has a cylinder bore of 30 mm and piston stroke of 100 mm. The engine develops 40 kW at 2000 rpm with a mechanical efficiency of 75% when coupled to a dynamometer. Determine the indicated mean effective pressure and the brake power.
02. (a) Briefly describe the operating principle of a piston type knapsack sprayer
- (b) The following data were obtained during the calibration process of a piston type knapsack sprayer
- Speed of advance = 3 m / min
Volume flow rate = 500 ml/min
Swath width = 1.5 m at a nozzle height of 1m from the ground
- Determine the volume application rate of this sprayer.
03. (a) A pump operator indentified a problem of no water delivery from the discharge pipe. Give at least 5 possible reasons and solutions to overcome this problem.
- (b) List out the factors considered in selecting a pump for a particular site.
04. (a) How can you distinguish a '**disc plough**' from a '**disc harrow**' based on their design (structure) and function?
- (b) Discuss about the structural features and operational advantages of a spring loaded tine cultivator (tine tiller).
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