KERALA AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY

B.Sc (Hons.) Agriculture – 2009 Admission Vth Semester Final Examination – January / February 2012

Title: Agro. 3108

Marks: 80

Course: Cropping pattern and Farming systems (1+1)

Time : 3 Hours

I. Define the following

(10x1=10)

- 1. Cropping systems
- 2. Monoculture
- 3. Trap crops
- 4. Strip cropping
- 5. Relay crops
- 6. Contingency cropping
- 7. Silviculture
- 8. Ley farming
- 9. Crop calendar
- 10. Ratoon crops

II. Write short notes on ANY TEN

(10x3=30)

- 1. Cropping intensity
- 2. Farming systems
- 3. Diversified farming
- 4. Social forestry
- 5. Companion crops
- 6. Row intercropping
- 7. Multiple cropping index
- 8. Agri-horticulture
- 9. Banana based cropping system
- 10. Multipurpose trees for home gardens
- 11. Cropping pattern
- 12. Cover cropping

III. Write short essays on ANY SIX of the following

- 1. Allelopathy.
- 2. Crop rotation
- 3. Organic recycling in cropping systems.
- 4. Integrated farming system.
- 5. Multiple cropping.
- 6. Rice based farming system.
- 7. LER
- 8. Precision farming

IV. Write essay on ANY ONE

(1x10=10)

- 1. Explain the homestead farming system practiced in Kerala.
- 2. Explain intercropping. What are the requirements for successful intercropping.