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FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS, 2023/2024 ACADEMIC SESSION

COURSE CODE: PUL 213

COURSE TITLE: HUMAN RIGHTS AND CIVIL LIBERTIES 1

TIME: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTION: ANSWER FOUR QUESTIONS.

1. In what ways have the socio-economic rights as well as the civil and political rights, proclaimed by the 10 December 1948, Universal Declaration of Human Rights been captured as international legally binding instruments?
2. Discuss the different theories of human rights. Which of the theories in your opinion represents the idea of human rights?
3. Trace the historical development of human rights from early days to the post-world war era.
4. Write short but comprehensive notes on International Bill of Rights.
5. The Incorporation/ domestication of Human Rights Treaties, Conventions and Covenants into National Legislation is a necessary requirement before such instruments can be invoked nationally. However, there are divergent views on the methods applied by Countries in doing same. Discuss the methods of incorporating International Treaties into National Legal Systems.
6. The traditional categorisation of the generations of human rights traces the chronological evolution of human rights as an echo to the cry of the French revolution. Discuss.

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SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION, 2016/2017 SESSION

1 A Non- Governmental Organisation in Abuja is organizing a symposium on "Discrimination against Women in Nigeria- a gross violation of Human Rights. Give an account of your own contribution to this programme.

2 Discuss the rights of a child in the society and the violations of these rights with particular reference to the provisions of the relevant treaty and other international documents on the rights of a child.

(b) In your own opinion provide recommendations on improving these rights in Nigeria

3 Explain the concepts "Refugee" and "Internally displaced persons" and discuss at least two instruments both at the National and International levels dealing with refugee or IDP problems.

4 The African Charter on Human and Peoples Rights has played a significant role in regional and national enforcement of human rights. Discuss in detail the rights entrenched in this human rights instrument.

5 Discuss extensively the organs of the United Nations involved in human rights protection.

6 (a) What is International Humanitarian law?

(b) The International Humanitarian Law is made up of two historical streams. Discuss

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FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION, 2016/2017 SESSION

1 Explain the concept of Human Rights and make a clear distinction between the term "Human Rights" and "Civil Rights".

2 Enumerate the fundamental Human Rights as contained in the 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria and explain two of the provisions extensively.

3 (a) Examine the justiciability of Chapter II of the 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.

(b) Explain the category of rights this chapter belongs and where it is found in the universal Declaration of Human Rights.

4 The Development of Human Rights can be categorized into three marked stages. Discuss

5 Trace the evolution of Human Rights from the medieval period in England to the present position in Nigeria.

6. 10th December of every year marks the beginning of the year of the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR). This boggles the mind as the Declaration is a pamphlet with only few Articles. As a student of Human Rights, why do you think this date is worth celebrating every year.

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1 The essential rights of a man are not based on an individual being a national or a citizen of a particular State but are based upon attributes of human personality. Discuss the truth or otherwise of this statement. 171/2 marks.

2 Provide a historical account of the evolution of human rights from pre-modern age till date. 171/2

3 Write comprehensive notes on the three marked generations of human rights. 171/2 marks

4 Today, human rights are by nature considered as legal rights that are claimable within positive law. Primarily, they are rights claimable by individual human being against the States. They are entitlements of the human person established in Law. Human rights are thus considered to be distinct from mere moral rights, beneficial obligations or religious duties.

In the light of the foregoing statement, discuss the classification of human rights in terms of natural rights and positive rights with particular reference to the successive constitutions in Nigeria. 171/2 marks.

5 10th December of every year marks the beginning of the year of the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR). This boggles the mind as the Declaration is a very small pamphlet with only few Articles. As a student of Human Rights, why do you think the adoption of the UDHR is worth celebrating every year? 171/2 marks

6 Discuss in detail the international covenants on the two types or categories of human rights and their optional protocols (if any). 171/2 marks