



NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA
FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES
DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE
2021_1 POP EXAMINATION

COURSE CODE: POL 444
COURSE TITLE: NIGERIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT
CREDIT UNIT: 3
TIME ALLOWED: THREE HOURS
INSTRUCTION: ANSWER ANY FOUR QUESTIONS

1. a. Citing relevant authorities, explore the meaning of Local Government **(7.5marks)**.
b. Enumerate the reasons for the establishment of Local Governments **(10 marks)**.
2. a. Trace the historical development of Local Governments in Nigeria **(7.5marks)**.
b. Highlight the various local government reforms in Nigeria beginning from 1966 **(10marks)**.
3. Local government systems are classified into three major groups. Outline and discuss these three groups **(17.5 marks)**
- 4.a. Identify and discuss the three main theories of Local Government **(12 marks)**.
b. List and explain the mandatory and participatory functions of Local Government **(5.5 marks)**.
5. a. The sources of revenue of local government in Nigeria are classified into external and internal sources. Outline the various revenue streams that fall under each of the two sources **(10 marks)**.
b. Proffer some suggestions on how to improve the revenue base of Local Governments in Nigeria **(7.5marks)**.