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NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA

Plot 91, Cadastral Zone, Nnamdi Azikiwe Express Way, Jabi - Abuja FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT SCIENCES
2020 1 EXAMINATION

COURSE CODE: MBA881

COURSE TITLE: BUSINESS POLICY

CREDIT UNIT: 3

INSTRUCTION: 1. Indicate your Matriculation Number clearly

2. Attempt question one (1) and any other three (3) questions; four questions in all

3. Question one (1) is compulsory and carries 25 marks, while the other questions carry 15 marks each.

4. Present all your points in a coherent and orderly Manner

TIME ALLOWED: 2½ Hours

1a. Explain the nature of organization policy

1b. What are the reasons for formulating organization policies

1c. Briefly discuss the types of policy you know? 25 marks

2a. Discuss the objectives of business policy

2b. Discuss five characteristics of a policy 15marks

- 3. Demonstrate your understanding on strategy formation, strategic evaluation and choice, strategic implementation and control
- 3b. Discuss the limitations of strategic management 15marks
- 4. Discuss the roles of strategists in strategic management 15marks

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- 5. Write short note on the following:
- i. Business policy as a discipline
- ii. Genesis of business policy
- iii. Evolution based on managerial practices
- iv. Historical perspectives of the evolution of business policy
- v. Business strategy
- vi. Operational strategy
- vii. Grand strategy 15marks
- 6. Write on the following:
- i. Strategic change
- ii. Knowledge adaptive strategy
- iii. competitive advantage
- iv. Growth and portfolio theory
- v. Marketing Revolution 15marks