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FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT SCIENCES
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
2020_2 EXAMINATION

COURSE CODE: MPA 807 **CREDIT UNIT:** 3 Unit
COURSE TITLE: DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION THEORY
TIME ALLOWED: 2 Hours
INSTRUCTIONS: 1. Attempt question Number one (1) and any other three (3).
2. Question number 1 is compulsory and carries 25 marks, while the other questions carry 15 marks each
3. Present all your points in a coherent and orderly manner

1. (a) "Administration cannot normally be improved without changes in the environmental constraints" (Riggs). Discuss the environmental constraints that Riggs identified which impeded the development process in developing countries. (15Marks)
(b) Give a brief history of the evolution of the Civil Service in Nigeria and discuss two (2) of the civil service reforms you have studied (10 Marks)
Total = (25 Marks)
- (2) What is development and how does it differ from underdevelopment, from the perspective of scholars like Walter Rodney? (15 Marks).
- (3) Define the concept of modernization and discuss the specific administrative challenges which impede the modernization process in developing countries. (15 Marks)
- (4) How would you distinguish between economic growth and economic development and what is the role of development administration in the transition from one to the other? (15 Marks)
- (5) Why is the concept of development so central to Development Administration and how would you explain the special focus on the developing countries? (15 Marks)
- (6) What does the comparative method entail and what special advantages does its adoption afford Development Administration as a field of study? (15 Marks)