



NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA
FACULTY OF LAW
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC LAW
2021_2 EXAMINATION QUESTIONS.

COURSE CODE: PUL303 (3 units)
COURSE TITLE: ENVIRONMENTAL LAW AND POLICIES
TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS

Instruction: ANSWER QUESTION 1 (ONE) AND ANY OTHER 3 QUESTIONS. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS (15 MARKS) EXCEPT QUESTION 1 WHICH CARRIES 25 MARKS.

QUESTIONS:

1. (a) *Tubaan* Construction Plc is a popular oil company situate at busy out sketch of *Origbo* town. The company has been severally accused of being reckless about their activities which leads to the spillage of oil to the neighbouring village thereby spoiling their farmland and polluting their streams. The management of *Tubaan* Construction Plc however has a strong link to top politicians and so has often felt secured and has been acting with impunity. Barrister Logic eventually decided to drag *Tubaan* Construction Plc to court over alleged environmental pollution. At the preliminary hearing, Suit N0 HC/NGC/2020, the defence counsel has told the court that environmental issues are just new and have not been made subject to adjudication in Nigeria. He argued therefore that the court has no jurisdiction whatsoever to entertain the matters as according to him, case laws have no dealings with environmental issues. As an environmental law student, you are required to reply the argument of the defence counsel in the above suit. =**20Marks**
(b) What is hazardous waste and when did it become an issue in Africa? =**5Marks**
2. (a) Carefully discuss the term, 'Strict Liability'. =**9Marks**
(b) How important is conservation to human survival? =**6Marks**
3. (a) Briefly discuss the scientific value/importance of conservation. =**5Marks**

- (b) The National Policy on the Environment 1989 and 2007 has enumerated various strategies. State at least five of the strategies. =**10Marks**
4. (a) List at least five international and regional laws and policies in relation to the environment. =**10Marks**
- (b) Mention any five domestic laws governing waste management in Nigeria. =**5Marks**
5. (a) With the aid of authorities, variously define the term 'waste' =**9Marks**
- (b) Mention any three international law sources governing waste management in Nigeria. =**6Marks**
6. Analyse the concept of human rights in relation to environment. =**15Marks**