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## FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT SCIENCES 2023\_1 POP EXAMINATION.

Course Code: BUS 804

Course Title: STRATEGY AND STRUCTURE

Credit Unit: 2

**Instructions: 1. Indicate your Matriculation Number clearly** 

2. Attempt Question 1 and any other two (2) questions

3. Question 1 is compulsory and carries 30 marks while the other 2 questions

carry 20marks each

4. Present all your points in coherent and orderly manner

**Time Allowed: 2 Hours** 

QUESTIONS

1. (a) List and explain the benefits of good planning?

10marks

(b) State five limitations of strategic planning.

10marks

- (c) What are the problems strategic planning raises for organization?10marks
- 2. (a) Plans of action as ways have two fundamental aspects of ends and means. Explain this word in terms of business plans. 10marks
  - (b) Outline the ingredients to successful planning and implementation. 10marks
- 3. (a) Critically discuss any three of the following 10marks
  - i. Forward integration
  - ii. **Backward integration**
  - iii. Horizontal integration
  - Market development iv.
  - (b) Explain the types of diversification in line with what stage to apply each of them. 10marks
- 4. (a) Identifying the risks involved in the delegation of power 10marks
  - (b) Discuss the three stages of strategy. 10marks
- 5. (a) Critically analyse the differentiation strategy in management strategy. 10marks
  - (b) Explain the process of departmentalization in an organization. 10marks