

NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA 91, Cadastral Zone, Nnamdi Azikiwe Express Way, Jabi-Abuja FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT SCIENCES

## 2024\_2 EXAMINATION\_

Course Code: MKT 306 Course Title: Distribution and Sales Management Credit Unit: 3 Instructions: 1. Indicate your Matriculation Number clearly

- 2. Attempt Question 1 and any other three (3) questions
- **3.** Question 1 is compulsory and carries **25** marks while the other **3** questions carry **15** marks each
- 4. Present all your points in a coherent and orderly manner

Time Allowed: 2 ½ Hours

- 1 (a) 'Nothing happens in a firm until a sale is made' is a popular maxim in sales management. Justify this assertion with three (3) valid points. **6 marks**
- (b) Outline and explain four (4) essential functions of salesforce. 9 marks
- (c) Explain the five (5) most important factors that a sales manager can deploy to motivate his/her salesforce. **10 marks**
- 2. (a) What do you understand by functional sales organization and how does it differ from line organizational structure? **6 marks** 
  - (b) Identify five (5) advantages and four (4) shortfalls of line sales organizational structure. 9 marks
- 3 (a) Highlight three (3) essential sources of salesforce motivation. 3 marks
  - (b) Discuss in an applied manner, four (4) benefits of a sales quota to an organization. 12 marks
- 4 (a) Describe what is meant by a straight commission plan and the factors that aid its application. **7** marks
  - (b) Present a discursive analysis of the two broad methods for sales budget determination. 8 marks
- 5 (a) Itemize five (5) social responsibility activities which a firm can actively perform in a society. **5** marks
  - (b) In what five (5) major ways is sales forecast important to a business? 10 marks