



**NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA
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SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
JUNE/JULY 2013 EXAMINATION**

COURSE CODE: ISL374

COURSE TITLE: ISLAMIC POLITICAL INSTITUTION

TIME ALLOWED: 2HRS

INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER ONLY THREE QUESTIONS IN ALL

1. Define the term *jāhiliyyah* and discuss the political conditions of the Arabs prior to the revelation of the Qur'ān to Muhammed. **(23 Marks)**
2. By using concrete examples explain why the Quraysh tribe in Makkah rejected the teachings of Islam. **(23 Marks)**
3. Distinguish between the term 'Caliphate' and 'a Khalīfah' and then explain the significance of a Khalīfah in running the Islamic State. **(23 Marks)**
4. Explain some of the reasons for accepting Abubakr as the first of the Khulafā'u ar-Rāshidūn. **(23 Marks)**

5. Define the term *Qāḍī* and explain some of his important duties in an Islamic state. **(23Marks)**