

NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA FACULTY OF LAW DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC LAW 2020_2 EXAMINATION...

COURSE CODE: PUL242

COURSE TITLE: HUMAN RIGHTS LAW II

CREDIT UNIT: 4

TIME ALLOWED: 3HOURS

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. The human rights of women aim at eliminating the discrimination, exclusion and violence meted against women globally. Women's rights have strong correlation with the concept of feminism as a cultural and political force. Feminism itself is a broad based and diverse campaign which seeks to protect and promote the interests of women in every part of the world. Feminist movements also actively link women's rights to the empowerment of women and eradication of poverty. This is because, poverty can be interpreted in a wide sense, as including not just a lack of financial and social resources, but an exclusion from health care, legal services and civic life. Generally, women work longer hours than men, with at least half the total time spent in unremunerated labour. This invisibility leads to 'lower social entitlements to women as compared to men. This situation engenders gender inequality by perpetuating gender gap in accessing limited resources.
- (a) Briefly explain the term 'gender inequality'. =5Marks
- (b) Explain how you think gender inequality can adversely affect the growth of economy in the national and international level. =**14Marks**
- (c) Identify at least three specific obligations laid on State Party by the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) particularly its Article 2. =6Marks
- 2. (a) Carefully articulate Article 10 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW). =7Marks

- (b) It is worthy of note that all rights correlate with duties. With this in mind roundly discuss any four ways duties are placed on States in Relation to Human Rights. =8Marks
- 3. (a) Briefly discuss the claim/position of the critics of the International Law in Relation to Protection of Human Rights. =8Marks
 - **(b)** Identify and explain the procedures within the Optional Protocol to the CEDAW. =**7Marks**
- 4 (a) Identify at least three documents of international importance that feed into the principles that underlie the Convention on the Rights of the Child. =6Marks
 - **(b)** In not more than three paragraphs, discuss the issue of the use of child soldiers by governments and rebel groups. =**9Marks**
- 5. Gbossa and Ibenta are village boys who are desperate about working overseas. They both became happy when Ali who claimed to have several connections abroad contacted them to pay just a token so as to take them to UK for a well-paid job. The arrangement was concluded in no distant time and they both took off for UK. Ali assured them that UK is close to Libya and they can go by sea instead of air which is expensive but unknown to Gbossa and Ibenta, they were in an unofficial and illegal trip. In an attempt to cross Libya, they were accosted and arrested by immigration officers who are making serious plans to prosecute them under their law for illegal entry. Gbossa and Ibenta are seeking for protection as refugees as they are only foreigners stranded in a strange country. Briefly discuss the validity of their claim. =15Marks
- 6. Briefly discuss the four prerequisites/conditions for grant of remedy/injunction. =15Marks