

NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA 14/16 AHMADU BELLO WAY, VICTORIA ISLAND, LAGOS SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT SCIENCES SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2015 EXAMINATION

COURSE CODE: ACC318 CREDIT UNIT: 3

COURSE TITLE: ADVANCED TAXATION

TIME ALLOWED: 2 ½ HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: 1. Attempt question number one (1) and any other (3) questions.

2. Question number 1 carries 25 marks, while the other three (3) questions carry 15 marks each.

3. Present all your points in coherent and orderly manner

QUESTION 1

Amos, Lola and Binitie were in partnership in the Law firm of A,L,B & Co. The company has the following Profit & Loss account for the year ended 31st December, 20X8.

	N	N	N
Gross earnings			2,100,000
Less: Staff salaries		500,000	
Utility bills		35,000	
Office rentals		50,000	
Office expenses		25,000	
Bad debts		55,000	
Interest on Loan – Amos	10,000		
Lola	<u>15,000</u>	25,000	
Interest on capital – Amos	10,000		
Lola	7,500		
Binitie	<u>5,000</u>	22,500	
Depreciation		7,500	
Consultancy costs		345,000	<u>1,065,000</u>
Net profit for the period			<u>1,035,000</u>

Additional Information:

- 1. Capital allowances agreed for the period was N7,500
- 2. From the staff salaries, an equal amount of N72,000 per annum was paid to each of the partners.
- 3. Binitie owned the building that housed the chambers
- 4. Only N30,000 of the Bad Debts was determined to be bad. The remaining N25,000 is just a provision at 5% of Debtors.

5. The ratio of interest on capital paid to the partners reflects their contributions and their share of profits.

Required:

- Compute the adjusted income of the partnership for the year.
- Calculate the profit shared by each partners and
- Calculate the income of each partner for tax purposes. (25 marks)

QUESTION 2

The records of BASEL settlement created in favour of AUDU, BIMBO and UZOAMAKA as at 31/12/20X8 are as follows:

	N
Rental Income (gross)	24,000
Trade income	10,000
Dividend (gross)	18,000
Sundry income	12,000

The following additional information is available:

- Each beneficiary is entitled to 1/5 share of the net distribution income.
- Interest on debt repayable by the settlement is N2,000
- Fixed annuity to beneficiary is N3,000

Trustee remuneration per trust deed:

- i. fixed N1,000 each (2 Trustee)
- ii. 2% of total income

Administrative and other expenses – N3,800

Under the terms of the trust deed, the trustee made discretionary payment to AUDU, BIMBO & UZOAMAKA as follows:

		N
AUDU	-	3,000
BIMBO	-	2,800
UZOAMAKA	_	1,500

Capital allowances – N8,024

The children have no other income.

AUDU, BIMBO and UZOAMAKA are only entitled to personal allowances.

Required:

Compute aggregate income due to the Estate and Tax Payable by AUDU, BIMBO and UZOAMAKA. (15 marks)

QUESTION 3

- (a) Explain the two types of tax audit (8 marks)
- (b) Differentiate between direct and indirect tax. (7 marks)

QUESTION 4

Tax avoidance arises in a situation where the taxpayer arranges his financial affairs in a form that would make him pay the least possible amount of tax. Explain the two possible forms of anti-avoidance legislation, stating their advantages and disadvantages. (15 marks)

QUESTION 5

With reference to the Petroleum Profit Tax Act, explain the following:

1. Persons chargeable

2. Qualifying expenditure (15 marks)

QUESTION 6:

DANIEL & DANIELLE Associates commenced a retail business on 1 October 20X6 and make up accounts to 30^{TH} September of every year. The following qualifying capital expenditure on plant and machinery were incurred.

Date	Amount (N)
1/10/X6	520,000
1/11/X6	535,000
15/4/X7	725.000

Required:

Compute capital allowances for the relevant years of assessment. (15 marks)