

NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA 14-16 AHMADU BELLO WAY, VICTORIA ISLAND LAGOS SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT SCIENCES MAY/JUNE 2012 EXAMINATION

ENT 329: STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT (2 CR)

TIME ALLOWED: 2Hours

INSTRUCTION(S): Attempt any 3 question of your choice. Each question carries 23.3 marks. Present your answer legibly and logically using relevant examples.

- 1. What do you understand by the acronym SWOT? What are the benefits of SWOT analysis to business organizations? (23 .3 marks)
- 2. Write short notes on the following?
 - a. Strategic planning
 - b. Strategic formulation
 - c. Strategic implementations
 - d. Strategic evaluation and control (23.3marks)
- 3. a. What do you understand by the term decision making in management?
- b. List and discuss the process involved in decision making?(23 $\frac{1}{2}$)
 - 4. Explain the term corporate planning? Why do corporate plans fail and what can be done to ensure its success? (23.3marks)
 - 5. Mention five advantages and five disadvantages of functional structures (23.3marks)