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**OCTOBER/NOVEMBER EXAMINATION 2016**

**COURSE CODE: COP 315**

**COURSE TITLE: COOPERATIVE LAW**

**CREDIT UNITS: 3**

**TIME ALLOWED: 2 HOURS.**

**Instructions:**

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

**QUESTIONS**

- 1) Though in terms of definition, cooperative society is an unsettled concept, yet its potent understanding can be derived from the barrage of clarity as given by international regulations and statutory provisions, principles of formulating bye laws and the different types of its operations. Discuss. (25 marks)
- 2) Nothing just exists without a traceable origin, so also is the concept of "Law" which existence and operations are birthed from identified and well classified sources which are further explainable by certain legal theories. Discuss. (15 marks)
- 3) The importance of legal autochthony relates more to the contents of the law rather than the origin of the Constitution or any law. Vividly examine this in the light of practical examples and explanations. (15 marks)
- 4) The Common law is law stricto-sensu and all-embracing because of its dynamism in accepting viable local customs practise although pursuant to meeting certain criteria and yet not without being marked with certain prevailing difficulties. Discuss. (15 marks)
- 5) Mr. Aladejobi a fresh Graduate from the National Open University and he was fortunate to have known the president of the Federal Republic of Nigeria who appointed him as the Federal Director of Cooperatives in Nigeria. His appointment offended the allies of the President who felt the president's action was wrong and that Mr. Aladejobi was not qualified to hold such a sensitive position but he felt he had no reason to be disqualified, he also wants to be tutored as to his line of duties. He will be

resuming for work on Monday and being a consultant he had briefed you to sort out all these that burdens him. Outline the issues calling for attention and advise him accordingly. (15 marks)

- 6) Erudite scholars in the verge of theoretic studies have found and proved that there are different types of Cooperative societies, outline and discuss this vis-à-vis the natures of cooperative societies as supplied by the law. (15 marks)