

NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES SEPTEMBER 2020_1 EXAMINATION

COURSE TITLE: ECONOMY AND INDUSTRY ANALYSIS

COURSE CODE: ECO 828

UNITS: 3

TIME ALLOWED: 3HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER FOUR QUESTIONS.

QUESTION NUMBER ONE IS COMPULSORY AND CARRIES 25 Marks; All other

questions carry Equal marks (15 marks)

- 1a. Define an industry in its broad sense. (10 marks)
- 1b. Briefly explain the concept of "Cycle of an Industry". (15 marks)
- 2a. Broadly discussed the SWOT and the PEST analysis of a business. (3 marks)
- 2b. Explain the benefits of SWOT and PEST analysis to a business? (12 marks)
- 3a. List and explain five common pitfalls in a scenario analysis. (10 marks).
- 3b. Explain "identity" as a major factor that has a significant impact on the business environment. (5 marks)
- 4a. Discuss the implication of identity for business and for a country. (10 marks)
- 4b. Clearly discuss how demography can affect trends and changes in the business environment. (5 marks)
- 5a. State why China and India are the subject of demographic issues in the world? (5 marks)
- 5b. Itemize the implication of trends and changes in the business environment. (10 marks)
- 6a. Globalization and organizational life cycle are some of the major reasons for restructuring an organization. Explain. (10 marks)
- 6b. Discuss the concept of poor management practice. (5 marks)