



**NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR LEGISLATIVE AND DEMOCRATIC  
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**SEMESTER EXAMINATION**

Programmes: **PGD**

Session: **2018/2019**

Semester: **1<sup>st</sup> Semester**

Course Code: **MEP 701**

Course Title: - **History of Elections and Party Politics in Nigeria**

**Instruction:** i. Answer any **4 questions**, each question carries **17.5 marks**.

- ii. Time allowed: **3hours**    iii Write your **Matriculation Number Only**  
iv. Orderly arrangement and good presentation of materials will be considered.

**Question One**

Discuss the origin of party politics and elections in Nigeria under colonial rule.

**Question Two**

Discuss the contributions of the Second World War to the growth of nationalism and party politics in Nigeria.

**Question Three**

Discuss the contributions of regionalism and regional/ethnic parties to the collapse of Nigeria's First Republic.

**Question Four**

Discuss the contribution of electoral violence to the collapse of Nigeria's second Republic.

**Question Five**

Discuss the nature of the party system in Nigeria since 1999 and show the implications for elections and democracy.

**Question Six**

Evaluate the performance of the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) since 1999. Make clear recommendations that will improve its performance.

Or

Identify and discuss any four major issues that electoral reform in Nigeria needs to address to improve the integrity of democratic elections after the 2019 general elections.