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Programme: **PGD**

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Course Code: **MEP 707**

Course Title: - **Political Party Management**

Instruction: i. Answer Question 1 and any other 3 questions.

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

Question One

- a. What is a Political Party?
- b. What distinguishes a Political Party from any Government or Business organization?
- c. Identify and briefly explain the various organs of a typical Political Party in Nigeria.

Question Two

Using any two countries as examples, trace the origins and evolution of Political Parties in Africa. To what extent would you say the Political Parties in Africa have addressed the problems confronting the African Continent?

Question Three

- a. Multi-party democracy in Africa is a recent phenomenon. Discuss.
- b. Using any two countries as examples, identify and explain the distinguishing features of a multi-party democracy and a One Party State?

Question Four

Political Parties are often said to play different roles in Parliamentary and Presidential systems of Governments. Using examples from your study, identify these roles and explain how they affect political stability.

Question Five

A number of writers have dismissed Political Parties in Liberal Democracies as mere instruments for grabbing political power. Compare and contrast the role of Political Parties in any Socialist and Capitalist countries you have studied.

Question Six

- a. A new wing of change has been blowing across the World with opposition Political Parties defeating incumbent Governments and winning decisive victories in General Elections. What may have accounted for this new phenomenon?
- b. What can you advise an opposition Political Party in Africa to do to win elections?