

**NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR LEGISLATIVE STUDIES (NILS)/UNIVERSITY
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(ELECTIVE COURSE)
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Time Allowed: 3 hours

COURSE TITLE: Political Parties and Parliamentary Politics

COURSE CODE: GEC 803

COURSE LECTURER: Rt. Hon. Umar Ghali Na'Abba

Answer any Four Questions

1. In democratic societies, political parties are the vehicles with which political leaders are recruited into governance. The potential for political parties to make or mar good governance in such societies is immense. Discuss with reference to Nigeria.
2. The parliament plays a key role in all democracies. Discuss the role of political parties in making the parliament work.
3. Discuss the role of political parties in the formulation of governmental policies. Analyze the role of Parliaments in this endeavor with reference to Nigeria.
4. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of (1) Unicameral Legislature (11) Bicameral Legislature.
5. Analyse the differences and similarities in the role political parties play in both the presidential system (system of separation of powers) and in the parliamentary system.
6. What reforms are necessary for the strengthening of political parties in Nigeria?