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Course Title: Political Party Management

Instructions:

- i.** Answer **Question One** and any **other three questions**
- ii.** Question One carries 22 marks, while other questions carry 16 marks each
- iii.** Time allowed: **3hours**
- iv.** Write your **Name and Registration Number Only**
- v.** **Clarity of expression and Logical presentation will be an advantage.**

QUESTION ONE

- a. What is the significance of Political Parties in a democracy?
- b. How many political party systems do we have in Africa?
- c. Which political party system is Nigeria practicing?
- d. And why?

QUESTION TWO

The primary objective of every Political Party in Nigeria is to win elections. However, all political parties are established by law and guided by laws.

- i. What are these laws?
- ii. Explain the role and functions of these laws?

QUESTION THREE

There are number of critical organs of any political party. Using any political party in Nigeria as a case study, explain the structure and functions of each organ of the political party.

QUESTION FOUR

Under existing laws, every political party in Nigeria must be registered by the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC).

- i. Identify and explain, in details, what are the essential elements and conditions a political party must fulfill before it can be registered by INEC.
- ii. How can a party avoid being deregistered by INEC?

QUESTION FIVE

Every political party in Nigeria is expected to regularly elect its party leaders.

- i. Explain the procedure and processes through which party leaders are elected.
- ii. Is this the same process for the selection of candidates for General Elections? Explain.

QUESTION SIX

It is often said that one of the best forms of democracy is where there are strong Opposition Political Parties.

- i. What is an opposition political party?
- ii. How does it operate?
- iii. What are the chances and impediments to opposition political parties in Africa?