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FACULTY OF LAW
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC LAW
2021_1 EXAMINATION QUESTIONS
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COURSE CODE: PUL743 (for Faculty of Management Science students)

COURSE TITLE: ADMINISTRATIVE LAW

CREDIT UNITS: 2

TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTION: ANSWER QUESTION 1 (ONE) AND ANY OTHER 3 (THREE) QUESTIONS. QUESTION 1 (ONE) ATTRACTS 25 MARKS WHILE OTHERS ARE 15 MARKS EACH.

1. (a) Your course mate when asked to define Public Administration by Miss Pauline, your lecturer, proffered this definition. ‘Public administration is the single most important aspect of bureaucracies across the world; be it a democratic, socialist or a capitalist state, more so in a socialist state, as all aspects of the citizens’ life are influenced and decided by the government.’ Analyse the definition. **15 marks**

(b) Law consists of rules that regulate the conduct of individuals, businesses and other organizations within the society. Laws of a given society are promulgated in order to protect and sustain that society’s values. Law therefore protects citizens and their property against unwanted interference from others. It prescribes penalties for citizens or persons who engage in undesirable activities. What do you suppose would happen if societies are not governed by laws? Give five (5) points. **10 marks**
2. Enumerate ten (10) Executive Bodies whose composition and powers are contained in part 1 of the third schedule to the 1999 Constitution. **15 marks**
3. According to the provisions of section 148(1) of the 1999 Constitution, “the President may, in his discretion, assign to the ... or any Minister of the Government of the Federation responsibility for any business of the Government of the Federation, including the administration of any department of government.” Analyse this statement. **15 marks**
4. Mr. MY is a staff of TZ ministry. In the course of carrying out his duties, he signed a contract on behalf of the ministry in accordance with the norm. When the contract became frustrated and the other party sued the ministry for damages, they claimed that Mr. MY acted on his own and that he was personally responsible for his actions. Advice Mr. MY. **15 marks**
5. Malemi, (1999) has laid down certain conditions in order for the rule of law to thrive in any society. Describe ten (10) of these conditions. **15 marks**
6. Your friend has asked you if he can appeal the decision of a Tribunal which was held against him. Discuss his right to appeal. **15 marks**