

NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA

Plot 91 Cadastral Zone Nnamdi Azikiwe Express Way, Jabi, Abuja FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT SCIENCES DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL STUDIES 2022 1 EXAMINATION

COURSE CODE: BFN310 CREDIT UNIT: 2

COURSE TITLE: MICRO CREDIT POLICY AND INSTITUTION

TIME ALLOWED: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Attempt question number one (1) and any other two (2).

2. Question number 1 is compulsory and carries 30 marks while the other 2 questions carry 20 marks each. Present all your points in coherent and orderly manner.

- 1. (a) Micro credit or micro financing is the means of providing the economically active poor and low-income households with financial services such as credit or loan to help them engage in income generating activities. Nigeria as a rich oil producing nation, in your opinion, is there any need for micro credit or micro finance institutions?

 20 marks
- (b) Explain the characteristics of Traditional Micro Finance practices in Nigeria. 10 marks
- 2. (a) In an orderly manner, assess the functions of the following micro finance institutions:
 - i) National Directorate of Employment (NDE)
 - ii) Nigeria Opportunities Industrialist Centre (NOIC)
 - iii) The Nigeria Export-Import Bank (NEXIM)
 - iv) Standard organization of Nigeria (SON)

12 marks

(b) What are the advantages of the above institutions to small and medium scale enterprises?

8 Marks

3. Discuss the following terms:

(i) Quality of Work Life 8 marks

(ii) Total Quality Management 6 marks

(i) Hire purchase finance. 6 marks

4. (a) Discuss any 5 causes of failure of small-scale business.

(b) Explain any 5 symptoms of business failure. 10 marks