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FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT SCIENCES
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
2020_1 EXAMINATION

Course Code: PAD870

Credit Unit: 2

Course Title: LOCAL GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION

Time Allowed: 2^{1/2} HOURS

Instructions:

- 1. Attempt Question 1 and any other two (2) Questions.**
 - 2. Question 1 is compulsory and carries 30marks while the other 2 Questions carry 20marks each.**
 - 3. Present all your points in a coherent and orderly manner.**
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1a. Give a concise definition of Local Government?

1b. “Local self-government is and must be the basis of any true system of democracy” explain this statement in relation to the importance of local government. **30marks**

2. Identify and explain five (5) rationale for the creation of local Government. **20marks**

3. Explain the extent to which “Devolution” is considered the most extreme form of decentralization. **20marks**

4. Advance at least five (5) possible solution to the unending challenges of the Local Government in Nigeria. **20marks**

5. Outline at least five (5) changes introduced by the 1976 Local Government reforms in Nigeria.

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