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TITLE OF PAPER : HISTORY OF NORTH AFRICA

COURSE CODE : H303

TIME ALLOWED : THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS :

- 1. ANSWER FOUR (4) QUESTIONS, CHOOSING AT LEAST ONE (1) FROM EACH SECTION.**
- 2. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS.**

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SECTION A

QUESTION 1

Is it still justifiable to see North African history as separate from the history of Sub-Saharan Africa?

QUESTION 2

Critically examine the importance of the early Egyptian civilizations.

QUESTION 3

Did the Greeks and Romans leave any lasting impact on North Africa?

QUESTION 4

How do you explain the process of Arabization of North Africa?

SECTION B

QUESTION 5

How successful was Egypt's 19th century modernization programme?

QUESTION 6

Explain the circumstances that led to the proclamation of the *Mahdist* state in the Sudan.

QUESTION 7

Critically examine the history of decolonization in any of the Maghreb countries.

QUESTION 8

Would it be correct to argue that North Africa's post-independence social and economic predicaments were mainly colonial in origin? You may confine your answer to ONE specific country in the region.