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TITLE OF PAPER

:ORGANISATION

**THEORY** 

AND BEHAVIOUR

**COURSE CODE** 

: PA 204

TIME ALLOWED

: THREE (3) HOURS

**INSTRUCTIONS** 

: ANSWER ANY FOUR (4) QUESTIONS

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## **QUESTIONS**

- 1. Distinguish between 'organisation theory' and 'organisation behaviour'. (25 Marks)
- 2. Henri Fayol argued that all types of organisations can be managed by his set of 'universal principles of management'. Discuss any five (5) principles of management advanced by the scholar. (25 Marks)
- 3. The Human Relations School of Thought marked a fundamental transition from the Scientific Management School of Thought it replaced. Discuss. (25 Marks)
- 4. Groups that maintain more-or-less the same membership over long periods of time tend to develop what Janis Irving defined as 'groupthink'. Define groupthink and discuss any three symptoms of this 'syndrome'. (25 Marks)
- 5. It has been argued that the environment/context within which organisations in Africa exist is unique and different compared to that of the Western world. Discuss any three elements that constrain the African organisations. (25 Marks)
- 6. Explain the concept of 'power' and discuss the five types of power common in organisations. (25 Marks)
- 7. Groups are an integral part of organisations. Define a 'group' and distinguish between the three types of groups common to organisations. (25 Marks)
- 8. Griffin R. (2008) argues that "Personality traits represent one of the most fundamental sets of individual differences in organisations." Define 'personality traits' and discuss the 'big five' personality traits as observed by the author. (25 Marks)