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TITLE OF PAPER: WOMEN AND POLITICS IN AFRICA

COURSE CODE: PA 404

TIME ALLOWED: THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER FOUR (4) QUESTIONS IN
TOTAL: TWO (2) FROM SECTION A
AND TWO (2) FROM SECTION B
ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL
MARKS OF TWENTY FIVE (25) EACH

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SECTION A

QUESTION 1

Despite its limitations, radical feminism sought to expose the shortcomings of both liberal and socialist feminist theories. Discuss.

QUESTION 2

What are the key characteristic features of a patriarchal society?

QUESTION 3

What key lessons may be drawn from Engel's characterization of the concept of the sexual division of labor in relation to male dominance and female subordination?

QUESTION 4

Gender inequality remains one of the key challenges facing African societies. Elaborate.

SECTION B

QUESTION 5

African women participated in national liberation struggles with the hope of shaking off what they understood as double oppression. Were their aspirations fulfilled? Discuss.

QUESTION 6

Analyze Africa's democratization experience, highlighting the extent to which it has been inclusive of women.

QUESTION 7

The exclusion of women has been a key factor in numerous unsustainable peace-making efforts in Africa. Discuss.

QUESTION 8

Existing evidence suggests that to be a success, Africa's socio-economic transformation has to be inclusive of women. Discuss.