

NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA Faculty of Arts Department of Languages 2020 1 EXAMINATIONS

COURSE CODE: ENG454

COURSE TITLE: MULTILINGUALISM

CREDIT UNITS: 3

TIME ALLOWED: TWO HOURS

INSTRUCTION: There are four questions in this examination, and you are required to answer **three. Question 1 is COMPULSORY**

1. Nigeria is a multi-ethnic nation characterised by acute/dense multilingualism. Discuss the factors that may have contributed to the multilingual situation in the country.

(24 marks/50 minutes)

2. Compare and Contrast the various stages of language planning as proposed by Haugen (1972) and Adegbija (1989)

(23 marks/35 minutes)

- 3. (a) Explain, using relevant examples, the types of language policies a government may adopt to make governance more effective in a society
 - (b) Discuss briefly, the challenges of language policy and planning in Nigeria, and the probable way forward that the government could adopt.

(23 marks/35 minutes)

4. Discuss the assertion that languages in Nigeria show different orders of hierarchical relationship.

(23 marks/35 minutes)