

**NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA**

**14-16 AHMADU BELLO WAY, VICTORIA ISLAND, LAGOS**

**SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES**

**JUNE/JULY 2013 EXAMINATION**

**COURSE CODE: ISL374**

**COURSE TITLE: ISLAMIC POLITICAL INSTITUTION**

**TIME ALLOWED: 2HRS**

**INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER ONLY THREE QUESTIONS IN ALL**

1. Define the term *Jāhiliyyah* and discuss the political conditions of the Arabs prior to the revelation of the Qur’ān to Muhammed. **(23 Marks)**
2. By using concrete examples explain why the Quraysh tribe in Makkah rejected the teachings of Islam. **(23 Marks)**
3. Distinguish between the term ‘Caliphate’ and ‘a Khalīfah’ and then explain the significance of a Khalīfah in running the Islamic State. **(23 Marks)**
4. Explain some of the reasons for accepting Abubakr as the first of the Khulafā’u ar-Rāshidūn. **(23 Marks)**
5. Define the term *Qādī* and explain some of his important duties in an Islamic state. **(23Marks)**