BOWEN UNIVERSITY, IWO, OSUN STATE COLLEGE OF LAW 2023/2024 SESSION

SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION

COURSE TITLE: HUMAN RIGHTS LAW II COURSE CODE: PIL 208
ATTEMPT TWO (2) QUESTIONS FROM EACH SESSION
EACH QUESTION CARRIES 17112 MARKS. TIME ALLOWED: THREE (3) HOURS

SECTION A

- 1. The Human Rights Advocates for Democratic Governance, an international NGO with its headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland, will be celebrating its 30th year anniversary on the 25th of August, 2024. The theme of the anniversary celebration is titled "National Protection of Human Rights and the African Continent". As part of the highlights of the celebration, selected African countries have been invited to make presentations on the above theme. The presentations are expected to educate the global community on the efforts national governments in Africa are making to promote and protect the human rights of its citizens through their national human rights institutions. Nigeria is one of the African countries invited to make such presentation. As a foremost human rights lawyer in Nigeria, you have been approached by the Nigerian Minister of Foreign Affairs to represent Nigeria. Discuss your intended presentation, with emphasis on the objectives, functions, and activities of the main national human rights institution in Nigeria.
- 2. The Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (IACHR) and the Inter-American Court of Human Rights (IACtHR) are two bodies in the inter-American system, formed by the American Convention on Human Rights (ACHR), for the promotion and protection of human rights. Discuss, with emphasis on the functions and powers of the two bodies.
- 3. Write a short but precise note on number 2(a) and any other 2 of the following:
 - a. The European Court of Justice.
 - b. The European Court of Human Rights (ECHR).
 - c. African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights.
 - d. The African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights

SECTION B

- 4. With reference to statutory provisions of International Human Rights Law (IHRL), discuss briefly five of the categories of person regarded as vulnerable persons.
- 5. The promotion and protection of human rights have engaged the attention of the international community, and Nigeria has subscribed to major international human rights instruments, yet, human rights violations continue to occur with disturbing frequency and regularity in Nigeria.

Enumerate at least five limiting factors that are responsible for the enforcement of human rights in Nigeria.

6. Appraise five fundamental principles of International Humanitarian Law (IHL) applicable in armed conflict situations.