

**Bowen University, Iwo. Nigeria.**  
**College of Liberal Studies,**  
**History & International Studies**

**First Semester Examination Question**

Session: 2023/2024

Course Code: HIS 425

Course Title: Africa and the Problems of Nation Building

Course Units: 3

Time Allowed: 2hours 30 minutes

**Instruction: Answer any three (3) questions only. All questions carry equal marks of 23**

- 1a. Attempt a conceptual clarification of 'Nation Building'.
  - b. Identify and explain 5 variables good for building a strong nation in Africa
2. Would you subscribe to the view that nation building in Africa has not yielded the desired results, given that African countries are becoming poorer and more miserable while political leaders are becoming excessively rich and irresponsible?
3. Discuss the notion that colonial legacies stand as a major stumbling block to nation building in post-independence Africa.
4. Using Nigeria as a case study, examine the post-independence attempts at nation building
5. Discuss the challenges confronting most of the African countries in the quest for nation building.
6. How can Africa continent overcome the challenges confronting nation building?