BOWEN UNIVERSITY, IWO
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL STUDIES
HISTORY AND INTERNATIONAL STUDIES
FIRST SEMESTER 2022//2023 SESSION EXAMINATION

COURSE TITLE: ECONOMIC HISTORY OF WEST AFRICA SINCE 1800

COURSE CODE: HIS 321

INSTRUCTION: ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS. ALL QUESTIOS CARRY

EQUAL MARKS OF 23 EACH

TIME: 2HOURS 30 MINUTES

1. Legitimate commerce undoubtedly benefitted the European countries more than African

countries although it was a step forward for Africa. Explain?

2. How did events in Europe served as the ultimate factor in the partition of West Africa?

3. West African small-scale farmers and traders for the first time were able to play

important role in the overseas exchange economy during the age of legitimate trade.

Discuss?

4. How true is the notion that the abolition of slave trade in West Africa is a triumph of

Humanitarianism over economic capitalism?

5. Before the incorporation of West Africa into the global capitalist system, the various

groups were involved in different economic activities. Explain the nature and extent of

economic system in pre-colonial West Africa?

6. Explain some of the problems which hindered the realisation of the objectives of

Economic Cooperation of West African States (ECOWAS).

Bonus= 1 mark.

