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REGULAR PROGRAMME

DCLS 071: HUMAN RIGHTS LAW

Date: APRIL 2022

Duration: 2 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question ONE and any Other TWO Questions

Q1. During a national day speech, the President said in part... “fellow Kenyans, my government continues to recognise the human rights of our citizens as enshrined in our Constitution and other international laws.” You were watching this broadcast at home with your family and being brilliant student that you are, you decided to wow them with an impromptu presentation. In your presentation you addressed:

- a. Whether and how the Constitution protects human rights (20 marks)
- b. Some of the international laws that the president is referring to and how they are enforced (10 marks)

Q2. The Catholic University of Eastern Africa is holding a colloquium to mark Human Rights Day. You have been selected to deliver a paper on behalf of the Diploma in Law programme. As part of your preparations, you seek counsel from your lecturer Dr Kamunyu. She advises you to keep it simple by focusing on a comprehensive description of human rights as well as the basic principles underlying the conceptualisation of human rights. You are in agreement and proceed to do so. (20 marks)

Q3. While all human rights are considered fundamental, they are classified into various generations/ categories. Discuss noting to include the resultant obligations placed on the state for each category. (20 marks)

Q4. Human rights as we know them today are the product of millennia long theorization, history and key events. Discuss. (20 marks)

Q5. Certain categories of people such as women, persons with disabilities, children, youth, ethnic minorities or marginalized communities are considered to be special groups from a human rights perspective. Comprehensively discuss the understandings leading to this perspective as well as any relevant responses from human rights law. (20 marks)

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