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**MAIN EXAMINATION**

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**CENTRE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND ETHICS**

**REGULAR PROGRAMME**

**JPE 207: AFRICAN POLITICAL SYSTEMS**

**Date: APRIL 2017**

**Duration: 2 Hours**

**INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question ONE and ANY OTHER TWO Questions**

- Q1. a) Discuss the nature of the pre-colonial African Political Systems in centralized societies in Africa. **(15 marks)**
- b) “African democracies are contested, weak and failed due to recurrent suffocation of meaningful constitutionalism” Examine the validity of this statement. **(15 marks)**
- Q2. Assess the view that militarization of post-independence African states was a result of skewed colonial administrative foundation of divide and rule **(20 marks)**
- Q3. Explain the characteristics of indigenous African Political Systems; support your answer with relevant examples **(20 marks)**
- Q4. a) Define party politics **(5 marks)**
- b) Discuss ways party politics can be a profound anchor of social justice and economic reforms. **(15 marks)**

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