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Knowledge for Development

UNIVERSITY REGULAR EXAMINATIONS

2014/ 2015 ACADEMIC YEAR

1ST YEAR 1ST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF ARTS IN HISTORY

COURSE CODE: HIS 809

COURSE TITLE: AFRICAN LABOUR HISTORY

DATE: 15TH AUGUST, 2014

TIME: 2:00P.M.-5:00P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer Four (4) questions. All questions carry equal marks: 15 marks

1. Critically examine the modes of production which existed in pre-colonial Africa.
2. “In the absence of currency money, the African communities organized labour on communal basis”. Discuss
3. Explain the relationship between the rise of cities and the emergence of wage labour in Africa.
4. Examine the polygamous marriages in Africa in the pre-colonial period as “mobilization of labour”.
5. Explain the evolution of wage-labour in Africa.
6. To what extent was the rise of Workers Unions a result of colonial labour policies in colonial Africa?
7. Do you subscribe to the claim that “Wage – labour is more profitable than slave labour”?
8. Karl Marx urged workers of the world to “unite and lose their chains”. ‘How is this statement related to industrial actions?’