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LL.B. DEGREE PROGRAMME - LEVEL 6

1ST ASSIGNMENT TEST - 2006

HUMAN RIGHTS LAW - LWU 4325 / 3325

DURATION - 40 MINUTES

Date:

13th September 2006

Time: 10.00 a.m. 10.40 a.m.

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Answer One question only.

01. Often the concept of human rights is identified as a product of Western liberal thinking. However, according to some scholars the concept of human rights has a long history, especially when it is combined with religions.

Critically evaluate the validity of the above two positions.

02. "What are Human Rights?" has been one of the most important questions for many jurists. The answers that can be elicited are also multi-faceted, the reason being that there are many schools of thought on the matter. However the answer should be essentially flexible and broad.

Discuss.

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