

**UNIVERSITY OF COLOMBO – SRI LANKA**

**FACULTY OF ARTS**

**THIRD YEAR EXAMINATION IN ARTS – SEMESTER I – 2018/2019**

**HIS 3169 – African History upto 1870**

**Time: Two (02) Hours**

Answer only **three (03)** Questions

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01. Critically examine Congolese philosopher V.Y. Mudimbe's idea of 'The Invention of Africa'.
02. 'Geographical factors played a major role in shaping the history of early African kingdoms'. Examine this statement through Kingdoms of Ghana, Mali or Songhay.
03. Explain the social position of Dahomey women soldiers in the 18<sup>th</sup> century.
04. Discuss the main stages of Islamization in Africa from 10<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> centuries?
05. Explain
  - a) The significance of transatlantic slave trade
  - b) American Colonization Society's intentions in creating Liberia
06. Write notes on any two (02) of the following topics
  - a) Maghrib
  - b) Mansa Musa
  - c) Benin artistic products
  - d) Swahili people