

THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL STUDIES
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FINAL EXAMINATION - LEVEL IV
DSU4652- DEVELOPMENT THEORY AND PRACTICE



DURATION – THREE HOURS (03HOURS)

Date: 29th January 2023

Time: 1.30pm-4.30pm

Instructions:

Answer **FIVE (05)** questions only.

Each answer carries equal marks of 20.

The length of an answer for regular questions (1-8) should not be more than 3 pages. Answers should be numbered correctly.

Unclear, illegible handwriting will be penalized.

1. "Modernity is development" Do you agree? Explain using the theories of development and the idea of economic dependence constructed between the developed and underdeveloped nations that you have learnt of in this course.
2. Discuss the main features and criticisms of the neo-liberal model of development giving examples of structural and policy responses.
3. Explain the Marxist theories of development, their main characteristics and limitations.
4. "Sustainable development can be approached either from a technocratic approach or a more radical green or eco-centric approach" Discuss this statement giving examples.
5. Discuss the impacts of SAPs and PRSPs on marginalised communities.
6. What are the challenges in providing humanitarian aid in situations of conflict?
7. Describe the modern measures of development and the basis of its origin.
8. "People have knowledge and are best placed to identify what is going wrong in their communities and also how to fix it" Discuss this statement referring to the participatory approach.
9. Write short notes on any three (03).
 - a. A.E.Schumacher's "small is beautiful"
 - b. Gender equality and development
 - c. The Bruntland Commission
 - d. The Green Revolution
 - e. The Washington Consensus

