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: 09.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.

Duration

: Three (03) hours

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Section 02 – Answer any four (04) out of the six (06) questions. You may use answer books and/or sheets to answer this section.

- 1) a) Discuss the regional, seasonal, and daily temperature variations observed in Sri Lanka.
 - b) Discuss the rainfall patterns observed in southwestern regions of Sri Lanka.
- 2) a) Explain why the greenhouse effect is important.
 - b) Describe the radiative processes that involve in the greenhouse effect.
- 3) a) Discuss the agricultural activities that emit greenhouse gases into the atmosphere.
 - b) Describe the agents that cause stratospheric ozone layer depletion and explain their mechanisms in depleting the ozone layer.
- 4) "The scientific community believes that temperature variations in the atmosphere cause changes in the plant growth and qualitative and quantitative aspects of yield". Critically discuss this statement using examples.
- 5) a) Discuss the international initiatives for climate change control.
 - b) Discuss the issues that arise when implementing adaptation measures that should cope with climate change.
- 6) a) Describe the recommendations that ensure high efficiency of water use in agricultural and livestock sectors in Sri Lanka.
 - b) Discuss why it is problematic to implement integrated water resources management practices.