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LEVEL 06
FINAL EXAMINATION – 2023
STU6313 – CHILD RIGHTS
DURATION – THREE (03) HOURS

Date: 24.11.2023

Time: 1.30 p.m. – 04.30 p.m.

Answer All Questions in Part I and any three (03) questions from Part II.

PART - I

01. Briefly explain why it is important to have separate rights for the “child”?
02. What is the purpose of introducing a children’s charter by the Sri Lankan government? Briefly describe.
03. Briefly describe **two (02)** acts implemented for the welfare of children in Sri Lanka during the British period.
04. Name **five (05)** categories of children who should be protected according to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Child.
05. State **four (04)** functions of the National Child Protection Authority of Sri Lanka.
06. Name the **three (03)** fundamental principles governing children’s rights.
07. Mention **two (02)** strategies that can be adopted to improve the status of street children in Sri Lanka.
08. Briefly state **two (02)** measures that can be taken as a Science/Mathematics teacher to ensure the right to participation of children at teaching learning process.

(5 x 8 = 40 marks)

PART - II

09. i. Briefly explain what is meant by right to survival. (02 marks)
- ii. Mention **four (04)** instances of violation of children’s right to survival that can be seen in developing countries and briefly explain **two (02)** of them. (08 marks)

- iii. Explain with examples **two (02)** measures that the school community can be taken to ensure children's right to survival. (10 marks)
10. i. Briefly explain the concepts of growth and development. (04 marks)
- ii. "The basis of holistic development is health and physical development" Briefly explain **two (02)** situations in which children's right to growth and development are violated in the current social situation in Sri Lanka. (08 marks)
- iii. Briefly explain **four (04)** measures that can be taken as a country to reduce the situations you mentioned above. (08 marks)
11. i. Who are children with special needs? (03 marks)
- ii. State **three (03)** actions that the school can be taken to protect the child rights and support the children with special needs. (06 marks)
- iii. Briefly describe the role of parents in the socialization of children with special needs by giving **three (03)** points. (06 marks)
- iv. Briefly describe **two (02)** measures that the government can take to protect the rights of children with special needs. (05 marks)
12. i. "Nowadays school children's addiction to various drugs has become a strong social problems". Justify this statement. (04 marks)
- ii. State **four (04)** strategies that school can be taken as a formal organization to educate school children and the community about the negative effects of drug use. (08 marks)
- iii. Explain with **two (02)** examples how parents should be involved in preventing drug addiction among young people. (08 marks)
13. i. Name **four (04)** forms of child abuse. (04 marks)
- ii. Briefly describe **three (03)** causes of child abuse that can be seen in today's society. (06 marks)
- iii. Briefly describe **two (02)** factors that still contribute to the failure to prevent child abuse in Sri Lanka. (05 marks)
- iv. Explain **two (02)** actions the school can be taken to educate students and parents to protect themselves from child abuse. (05 marks)