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LEVEL IX - DSP9406 – POLITICS OF DEVELOPMENT
FINAL EXAMINATION – 2023
DURATION: THREE (03) HOURS



Date: 24.06.2023

Time: 9.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.

Answer Five (05) Questions Only. Each Question Carries 20 Marks.

1. What is the significance of the study of politics in the context of modern development? Explain.
2. Why is democracy an essential condition for true human development? Discuss.
3. Is Social Contract relevant for present day governance? Examine.
4. Provide an analysis of the concept of 'ruler' rooted in spiritual teachings.
5. "Promoting responsive public institutions both at national and at local levels is significant in the context of globalization". Support this argument with examples.
6. How has the process of political modernization evolved in the Third World? Analyse with examples from Sri Lanka.
7. Examine the political challenges faced by certain developing countries in the current context of the global economic crisis.
8. "Education is a public good that should remain within the careful management of the state". Evaluate this statement against arguments that support privatization of education.

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