THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL STUDIES
BA DEGREE PROGRAMME IN SOCIAL SCIENCES
LEVEL 04 - 2022/23 SEMESTER -01
FINAL EXAMINATION



DSU4343 -POLITICS OF SRI LANKA: INSTITUTIONS & PROCESSES

DURATION: THREE HOURS (03 HOURS

Date: 16th of December 2023

Time: 09.30 AM -12.30 PM

Instructions

- Answer Five (05) Questions Only.
- Read the Question Carefully and use examples where necessary to illustrate your answer.
- Please write in legible Handwriting.
- All guestions carry equal marks (20 marks each).

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- 1. What are the main features of the Soulbury Constitution? Explain.
- 2. What are the Powers of the National State Assembly under the 1972 Constitution? Analyze.
- 3. Briefly discuss the nature of the **Executive presidency** under the 1978 Constitution of Sri Lanka by referring to the existing criticisms against it.
- 4. Discuss the major trends in public service in Sri Lanka during the post-colonial period.
- 5. Evaluate the role of political parties in forming public opinion on national interest.
- 6. Explain the pros and cons of the coalition governments with examples from Sri Lanka's
- 7. Analyse the contribution of the youth in building national unity in Sri Lanka.
- 8. Write a short essay on the "Challenges of Women's Political Participation in Sri Lanka".
- 9. Discuss Three (03) of the following Topics.
 - a) Checks and Balances
 - b) The Judiciary System in Sri Lanka
 - c) Good Governance
 - d) 13th Amendment of the 1978 Constitution
 - e) Duty of responsible voters
 - f) Fundamental Rights
 - g) British colonial impact on Sri Lanka

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