## The Open University of Sri Lanka Faculty of Natural Sciences B.Sc/ B. Ed Degree Programme



Department

: Zoology

Level

: 5

Name of the Examination

: Final Examination

Course Code and Title

: ZYU5302

Conservation and Management of Biodiversity

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Date

: 13.10.2023

Time

: 2.00 p.m.- 4.00 p.m.

Duration

: 2 hours

## **General Instructions**

- 1. Read all instructions carefully before answering the questions.
- 2. This question paper consists of 06 (six) questions in one page.
- 3. Answer any **04 (four)** questions only. All questions carry equal marks.
- 4. Answer for each question should commence from a new page.
- 5. Draw fully labelled diagrams where necessary
- 6. Having any unauthorized documents/ mobile phones in your possession is a punishable offense
- 7. Use blue or black ink to answer the questions.
- 8. Circle the number of the questions you answered in the front cover of your answer script.
- 9. Clearly state your index number in your answer script

- 1. 1.1 Explain the term "Biological Diversity" as stipulated in the Convention of biological diversity (20 marks)
  - 1.2 What are the factors that have contributed to the uneven distribution of Global biodiversity? (80 marks)
- 2. 2.1 What are the IUCN threat categories? (10 Marks)
  - 2.2 What is meant by extinction? (10 marks)
  - 2.3 "Habitat fragmentation is the biggest threat for biodiversity" Apply your knowledge in ecology/ evolutionary principles and Island biogeography to support this statement. (80 marks).
- 3. Biodiversity is facing many serious threats within South Asian Countries. Explain briefly major threats that lead to the loss and decline of biodiversity in this region. (100 marks).
- 4. Write an account on values of Biodiversity and its services (100 Marks).
- 5. Discuss the option available for biodiversity conservation with advantages and disadvantages of each option (100 Marks).
- 6. Write Short Notes on any three (03)
  - a) International conventions
  - b) Human wildlife Conflict
  - c) Significance of Genetic Diversity
  - d) Different Categories of Protected areas in Sri Lanka
  - e) Wildlife Conservation and Management

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