## The Open University of Sri Lanka Faculty of Engineering Technology Department of Agricultural and Plantation Engineering



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in Agriculture

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Technology

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:13.30-16.30 hrs

## SECTION II: Answer any four (04) questions

(1) (a) What is meant by VP tea?

- (b) Briefly outline the advantages of using clones in plantation crop production?
- (2) (a) What are the prime growing regions of tea in Sri Lanka?
  - (b) Briefly discuss the current problems in tea industry.

(3) (a) What are the yield components of Hevea?

- (b) Briefly outline the major problems associated with rubber industry in Sri Lanka.
- (4)(a) What are the features of an ideal tapping method(system)?
  - (b) Briefly discuss the issues with current tapping systems.

(5) (a) State three (03) main coconut seed gardens in Sri Lanka.

- (b) What are the factors to be considered when inter-cropping in coconut plantations?
- (6) Write short notes on any two (02) of the following
  - i. Yield stimulation of Hevea
  - ii. Genetic improvement of coconut
  - iii. Benefits of soil rehabilitation in tea plantations

