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 DSU4356 – POLITICS & SOCIAL MOVEMENTS



DURATION: THREE HOURS (3 HOURS)

Date:11.08.2024

Time:01.30pm -04.30pm

Instructions:

Answer five (05) questions only. Each question carries 20 marks.

01. Can Social Class theory be applied to understand contemporary Sri Lankan political realities? Examine.
02. Define what a social movement is and explain the stages of a social movement with examples from the Sri Lankan political context.
03. How did their trade unions influence the political mobilization of plantation Tamils in Sri Lanka?
04. Is it possible to point out that professionals are not performing their duties properly in social movements as one of the reasons for the economic crisis that Sri Lanka is currently facing? Critically examine.
05. Imagine you have received an invitation to deliver a speech on the topic of Sangha and Politics in Sri Lanka at a workshop organized to train young political leaders. What points will you highlight in the lecture?
06. Critically analyze the influence of the international community in shaping the contemporary political realities of Sri Lanka. ?
07. Critically examine about the role of women in the contemporary politics in Sri Lanka.
08. Social media can create leaders as well as destroy leaders in any modern society. Critically examine.
09. Write short notes on any four (04) of the following,
 - a) Elite circulation theory
 - b) The Political culture of Sri Lanka
 - c) Political ecology
 - d) Sri Lankan Diaspora
 - e) Transnational state
 - f) “Abstract Space” & “Social Space”
 - g) Sources of human sufferings

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