

THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL STUDIES
BA DEGREE IN SOCIAL SCIENCES – LEVEL V
FINAL EXAMINATION 2023/2024 (SEMESTER II)
DSU5342 – CONFLICT RESOLUTION AND PEACE BUILDING



DURATION: THREE HOURS (03 HOURS) ONLY

Date: 24.08.2024

Time: 9.30 am-12.30 pm

Instructions:

- **There are Nine (09) questions in this paper.**
- **Answer ONLY Five (05) questions.**
- **Each question carries 20 marks.**

1. Explain the concept of 'Protracted Social Conflict' introduced by Edward Azar using two international case studies.
(20 marks)
2. Critically analyze the involvement of external actors in the ethnic reconciliation process in Sri Lanka.
(20 marks)
3. Assess the success of the role of the United Nations (UN) in international peacebuilding. Support your answer with examples.
(20 marks)
4. Using either the Israel - Palestine conflict or the Ukraine - Russian conflict, analyze the role of third-party intervention.
(20 marks)
5. Using a conflict analysis tool of your choice, analyze the Kosovo conflict.
(20 marks)
6. Discuss the main criticisms against the application of Responsibility to Protect (R2P) by citing relevant examples.
(20 marks)
7. Write an essay on the role of international mediation in peace talks during Sri Lanka's civil war.
(20 marks)

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8. Critically analyze India's intervention in Sri Lanka's civil war.

(20 marks)

9. Write short notes on **any two (02)** of the following topics:

- a. Conflict management.
- b. Conflict theory.
- c. Conflict analysis tools.
- d. ABC triangle.

(10 marks each)

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