

The Open University of Sri Lanka Faculty of Engineering Technology Industrial Studies (Agriculture) Program of Study

Final Examination-2011/2012

## AEI6138 Fruit crops and cut flower production

Date

: 10-03-2012

Time

: 1400-1700

Duration

: Three (03) hours

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

- (1) (a) Briefly discuss the present status of fruit crops industry in Sri Lanka (b) Give your suggestions to improve the production and marketing of underutilized fruits in Sri Lanka.
- (2) Briefly explain the importance of following practices for the successful fruit crop industry.
  - (a) Use of budded plants
  - (b) Use of recommended varieties
  - (c) Harvesting of fruits at their correct maturity stage
- (3) (a) What are the climatic conditions needed to grow orchids?
  - (b) Briefly outline the vegetative propagation methods of dendrobium
- (4) (a) Write a short essay on "yield management of mango".
  - (b) Briefly discuss the propagation and cultivation methods of pineapple.
- (5) (a) Briefly discuss the importance of using basic principles in landscaping.
  - (b) Write a short essay on "Importance of Balance and Harmony" in a landscape design.
- (6) Write short notes on any four (04) of the following.
  - (a) Yield management of Rambutan
  - (b) Flower induction in pineapple cultivation
  - (c) Common insects pests that attack fruit crops
  - (d) Grading and packing cut flowers for export market.
  - (e) Growth habits of orchids