



**THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA**  
**BACHELOR OF/ DIPLOMA IN ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY**  
**FINAL EXAMINATION -2012/2013**  
**LWJ 3160 – INTRODUCTION TO THE LAWS OF SRI LANKA**  
**LEVEL- 03**  
**DURATION: TWO HOURS**

**DATE: 12.08.2013**

**TIME: 09.30 a.m -11. 30 a.m**

**Candidates will be penalized for illegible handwriting.**

**ANSWER FOUR (04) QUESTIONS ONLY.**

01. (a) Sunil and Ramya went to Hotel “Villuda” to stay for two weeks. On completion of payment at the reception they entered into their room. As they entered the room, they noticed the following statement displayed inside the room. ‘The hotel management will not be responsible for goods that are stolen or lost’. They stayed two weeks at the hotel and when they were getting ready to leave, Ramya noticed that her gold ring and gold necklace were missing.  
 Ramya wishes to file an action against Hotel “Villuda”.  
 Advice Ramya. (15 Marks)
- (b) Briefly explain the disabilities which would prevent a person from entering into a contract. (10 Marks)
02. Briefly discuss sources of law in Sri Lanka. (25 Marks)
03. (a). Write a note on the Fundamental Rights enshrined in the 1978 Constitution of Sri Lanka. (15 Marks)
- (b). “Fundamental Rights are not absolute.” Discuss. (10 Marks)
04. (a). Identify the legislation by which the Court system of Sri Lanka has been established. (03 Marks)
- (b). Briefly explain the Court System of Sri Lanka and the powers of each Court. (22 Marks)

05. Using your knowledge on factors that would prevent or nullify an agreement, discuss the following situations.
- (a) A threatened to shoot B, if he did not let his house to him. B agreed to let his house to A.  
(08 Marks)
- (b). X offered to sell his old car for 3 Million to Y and Y accepted it thinking X is referring to his new car.  
(09 Marks)
- c). P is an accountant of "Prime Company Ltd". S wished to buy some shares in this Company. S enquired P about the financial status of the company. P handed over to S, the Annual Report of the Company prepared by him. Believing the information given in the report, S bought shares in the Company. However the Company did not declare dividends due to its unsatisfactory financial situation.  
(08 Marks)
06. (a). Explain the different types of employment recognized in Sri Lanka. (12 Marks)
- (b). How would you differentiate the term 'Contract of employment' from 'Contract for employment.'  
(13 Marks)
07. Write notes on any **THREE (03)** of the following.
- (a) Rule of Law
  - (b) Valuable Consideration and *Justa Causa*
  - (c) Essential requirements for a valid offer
  - (d) Labour Tribunal
  - (e) The differences between Criminal law and Civil Law.
- (25 Marks)

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