THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA BA DEGREE IN SOCIAL SCIENCES – LEVEL 4 (2006) FINAL EXAMINATION (1ST SEMESTER) DEVELOPMENT COMMUNICATION AND POLICY PLANNING – SSU 2201

DURATION - THREE (03) HOURS

Date: 19th November 2006 Time: 1.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.

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

- 1. What are the key socio-economic factors you would consider in national development planning at grass root level?
- 2. Discuss some of the competing views held by Scholars in the context of national development.
- 3. Explain the concept of sustainable development in the context of our social and the natural environment.
- 4. Why should we think in terms of long term policies in sustainable development. Discuss.
- 5. Design a development communication action plan for development of Tsunami affected fishing communities.
- 6. Use of new communication technology is a must for national development. Discuss.
- 7. "Attitudinal change is so important in cradicating poverty in a country". Discuss.
- 8. Discuss the possible limitations of using mass media extensively for rural agricultural development in Sri Lanka.
- 9. Write short notes on any <u>four (04)</u> of the following themes.
 - (i) Accuracy of message in health communication.
 - (ii) Media literacy in the context of national development.
 - (iii) Folk media
 - (iv) Non formal education
 - (v) Key steps in diffusion of innovations