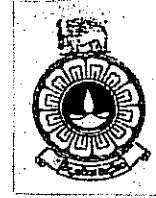
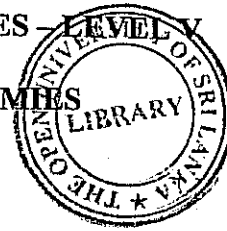


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DURATION: THREE (3) HOURS

Date: 18th October 2009

Time: 9.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.

Answer five (5) questions only. Each question carries 20 marks

1. Briefly explain the 'enclosure movement'. Examine its major impacts on the agriculture system of England.
2. Explain the characteristics of self-regulating markets in the economy of England, in the period of 1830 – 1890.
3. 'The Tokugawa period (1603-1867) laid the foundation for modern economic development of Japan'. Discuss this statement with examples.
4. Elucidate the major economic reforms implemented during the Meiji period in Japan.
5. Explain the key challenges faced by China at the time of planning for industrial sector development.
6. Briefly explain the major targets of the Five Year Plans of India. Discuss the key challenges faced by India in achieving these targets.
7. Discuss the major drawbacks of centrally planned economies giving special reference to the experiences of the former Soviet Union.
8. Identify the key factors that facilitated economic progress of the East Asian countries, and discuss the important learning for the South Asian Economies.
9. Write short notes for any two (2) of the following.
 - i. Open Door Policy of China
 - ii. Famines and Famine Relief in India
 - iii. Japan and the World War II
 - iv. Development Strategies of South Korea