

THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA
 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL STUDIES
 BA DEGREE IN SOCIAL SCIENCES – LEVEL IV
 FINAL EXAMINATION – 20011/2012
 SSU2204 – ECONOMY OF SRI LANKA: STRUCTURE & ANALYSIS



DURATION: THREE (03) HOURS

Date 12th June 2011

Time: 1.30 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.

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

1. (a) Briefly explain the economic problems that existed at the time of independence in Sri Lanka.
 (b) Analyze how land reform took place as a solution to the problem of landlessness.
2. (a) List down the key objectives of colonization schemes which were implemented to address the problems faced by subsistence farmers.
 (b) 'Although the authorities have taken sufficient efforts to raise the income levels of subsistence farmers still there are unresolved problems'. Do you Agree? State your reasons.
3. (a) Define the significance of the fiscal policy.
 (b) What are the major transformations that took place in the fiscal policy with the introduction of liberalization?
4. (a) What is meant by traditional and non-traditional exports? Give examples.
 (b) Discuss the key strategies adopted to promote non-traditional export products.
5. (a) State five characteristics of small farmers according to Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO).
 (b) What is the significance of small farmers in the economies of developing countries like Sri Lanka? Discuss using appropriate examples.
6. (a) Explain four structural adjustment policies adopted by the government to solve the debt crisis.
 (b) What are the major implications of the macro economic policies on poverty?
7. (a) How does unemployment become an important indicator of underdevelopment?
 (b) What are the factors affecting unemployment among educated youth?
8. Write short notes on three (03) of the following
 - (i) Mismatch concept in unemployment
 - (ii) Benefits of privatization
 - (iii) Dependency ratio and its implications
 - (iv) Janasaviya programme
 - (v) Defence levy

*****Copyrights reserved*****