

THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA
 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL STUDIES
 BA DEGREE IN SOCIAL SCIENCES – LEVEL IV
 FINAL EXAMINATION - 2016/2017
 SSU2123 – COMMUNICATION IN DISASTER MITIGATION
 DURATION: THREE HOURS (03 HOURS)



Date: 09th November 2016

Time: 1.30 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.

Instructions:

➤ *Answer five (05) questions only. Each question carries 20 Marks.*

1. The Asia-Pacific region is one of the most risk-prone areas for disasters. Discuss
2. “The Disaster Risk Reduction Process is best understood as a cycle”. Discuss.
3. Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs) play a key role in disaster recovery. Discuss.
4. Write short notes on the following:

(a) Natural Disasters	(4 marks)
(b) Man-made disasters	(4 marks)
(c) Risk management	(4 marks)
(d) Technological hazards	(4 marks)
(e) Post-disaster management	(4 marks)
5. Explain the differences in the functions carried out by media and disaster management agencies. Explain.
6. There are multiple parties involved in disaster warning. Explain.
7. Early warning is a key element of disaster risk reduction. Discuss.
8. What are the channels that can be used for disaster warning? Discuss.
9. Explain the significance of disaster/risk communication.