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SECTION 2: Answer question 1 and any three others.

- (01) (a) Define the terms of "stress" and "strain"?
- (b) What is Hooke's Law?
- (c) Graphically represent the stress strain relationship for mild steel rod?
- (d) What is given by stress/strain within the elastic region?
- (e) Two timber posts, cross section area of 40000mm^2 and 6m height, are subjected to an axial load of 100kN each. One post is made of pine timber ($E=7800\text{ N/mm}^2$) and the other is Ork timber ($E=15300\text{ N/mm}^2$). How much will they shorten due to the applied load?
- (02) Write short notes on the following topics.
- (a) Green house effect
- (b) Evaporative cooling
- (c) Basic methods of heat transfer
- (d) The basic functions of cattle housing
- (03) (a) Describe three types of cattle rearing systems?
- (b) A farmer in Nuwara Eliya has decided to establish a cattle farm close to his residence (with 20 cattle). He is confused regarding selection of a suitable cattle rearing system and needs advice from you. In this matter, what are your suggestions on a suitable method of cattle rearing system? Explain and justify your answer.
- (04) (a) Write a brief account on "green house effect"?
- (b) What factors have great influence on global warming? Write a short summary on that.
- (05) (a) Describe any popular mechanised poultry feeder system in detail with the aid of a sketch.
- (b) Explain how you control the important environmental conditions (especially temperature and light) inside the poultry house?

(06) Releasing of farm waste is a huge problem in small scale as well as the large scale farms (poultry, cattle and swine farms) especially in urban areas. Explain how you optimize the process of farm waste management inside a farm with minimum damage to the environment. Illustrate your answer with possible ways of farm waste management and how you could improve the available methods.