

**THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA
COMMONWEALTH EXECUTIVE MASTER OF BUSINESS/PUBLIC
ADMINISTRATION
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MCP 2608 – CONTEMPORARY ADMINISTRATIVE SYSTEMS
DURATION : THREE (03) HOURS**



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Date : 28th March 2009

Time : 1.30 p.m – 4.30 p.m

**Answer any Five (05) questions.
All questions carry equal marks.**

1. Critics of the theory of functionalism argue that it is biased towards liberal, Western, capitalist societies. Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer.
2. Discuss briefly contemporary issues faced by legislatures with special reference to the Sri Lanka legislature.
3. Examine the relevance of the Weberian Model of Bureaucracy in explaining the characteristics of the Sri Lankan bureaucracy.
4. a. What are the main characteristics of the concept of New Public Management (NPM)?
b. Discuss the impact of globalization on the Sri Lanka administrative system.
5. Discuss how the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) could assist developing countries in strengthening their legislative capacity.
6. Critically evaluate the role of donor agencies and their lending strategies to developing countries in view of the current global financial recession.
7. Although Non-Government Organizations are considered to be partners in sustainable Development, their role has now become questionable in Sri Lanka. Comment.

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