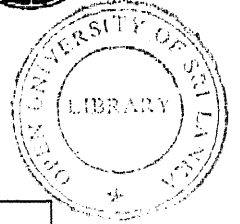


**THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA  
COMMONWEALTH EXECUTIVE MASTER OF BUSINESS/PUBLIC  
ADMINISTRATION  
FINAL EXAMINATION – 2008  
MCP 1652 – DEVELOPMENT PLANNING AND ADMINISTRATION  
DURATION: THREE (03) HOURS**



**Date: 14<sup>th</sup> March 2009**

**Time: 9.30 a.m – 12.30 p.m**

**Instructions: Time allowed is 03 hours. Answer any four (04) questions. Each answer carries equal marks. Illegible hand writing may cause loss of marks.**

1. The multi-dimensional nature of the concept of development creates challenges for managers in the public sector in identifying the right model of development administration that meets the requirements of developing country. Discuss.
2. Briefly outline the economic, social and political context of development administration in Sri Lanka and show what specific features are required in the administrative system to function effectively in the current context.
3. What are the main weaknesses of the system of public administration in South Asia? Discuss their implications for planning and plan implementation.
4. Briefly describe the development planning strategies adopted by countries in South Asia and comment on their level of effectiveness.
5. What is the meaning of participation? Briefly outline the key features of participatory planning and plan implementation.
6. Explain the importance of capacity building of grass root level community leaders, political leaders and public bureaucracy in ensuring effectiveness of the planning process.
7. What role do you assign to Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) in the planning and development process? Explain how the role of NGOs can be utilized more productively to address issues of development.

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