

THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA COMMONWEALTH EXECUTIVE MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION/ PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION FINAL EXAMINATION – 2012/13 MCP1651 – PUBLIC POLICY

DURATION: THREE (03) HOURS

DATE: 17.08. 2013

TIME: 09.30 am -12.30 pm

IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS:

- ANSWER ANY FIVE (05) QUESTIONS.
- ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS.
- 1. 'Public policy is a complex interplay of values, interests and resources' Comment on this giving examples from Sri Lankan context. (Marks 20)
- 2. What do you mean by 'policy instruments'? Discuss with examples the key instruments that the government could use in implementing its policies.

(Marks 20)

- 3. Explain the advantages and disadvantages of top down approach to policy implementation giving examples from any program/project you are familiar with.

 (Marks 20)
- 4. Discuss the roles of different institutions in the policy making process in light of the Westminster Model. (Marks 20)
- 5. Explain the role of public servants in the different stages of policy making process giving examples from Sri Lanka or any other developing country. (Marks 20)
- 6. Analyze with examples from Sri Lanka the problems associated with termination of programs in relation to Policy Succession. (Marks 20)
- 7. Discuss with examples the roles played by (i) political parties, (ii) interest groups, and (iii) mass media and the extent of their effectiveness in the policy making process.

 (Marks 20)

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