## THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA COMMONWEALTH EXECUTIVE MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION / PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION PROGRAMME FINAL EXAMIATION -2013/14

CONTEMPORARY ADMINSTRATIVE SYSTEMS -MCP2608

**DURATION: THREE (03) HOURS** 

DATE: 16.08.2014

TIME: 1.30 pm - 4.30 pm

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

- Answer any five (05) questions
- All questions carry equal marks
- 1. "Public administration is the action part of the government that carries laws made by legislature bodies and interpreted by Courts through the processes of management, '. Critically evaluate the above statement elaborating the scope and the functions of public administration. (20 marks)
- 2. Explain the Riggs' Model on development administration. Critically examine its adequacy to ascertain the transition process of primary societies to modern societies. (20 marks)
- 3. a) What are the main characteristics of Max Weber's bureaucratic model? (10 marks)
  - b) Examine whether modern organizations could function efficiently with out some form of bureaucracy. (10 marks)
- 4. 'However good a constitution may be, it is sure to turn out bad because of those who are called to work it happen to be a bad lot. However bad a constitution may be, it may turn out to be good if those who are called to work it happen to be a good lot' B R Ambedkar, Chairman of the drafting Committee of Indian Constitution (1949). Critically analyze the above statement. (20 marks)
- 5. a) Discuss the reasons for emergence of New Public Management (NPM) in the latter part of 20<sup>th</sup> Century. (10 marks)
  - b) Illustrate the differences between NPM and traditional public administration. (10 marks)
- 6. Explain the oversight role of Parliament and it significance in managing public finance in Sri Lanka. (20 marks)
- 7. Explain the different types of Non-governmental Organizations (NGOs) and their role in the international and national contexts. (20 marks)

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