

THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL STUDIES
BA DEGREE PROGRAMME IN SOCIAL SCIENCES - 2018/2019
FINAL EXAMINATION - LEVEL 4 (SEMESTER II)
DSU 4356: POLITICS AND SOCIAL MOVEMENTS



DURATION: THREE HOURS (3 HOURS)

Date: 20th July 2019

Time: 1.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.

Answer five (05) questions only. Each question carries 20 marks.

01. "Every political system is embedded in a particular pattern of orientation to political action". Examine this statement with reference to the contemporary Sri Lankan political culture.
02. What is a social movement? Explain the stages in its development with examples.
03. How have the ideologies of Marx and Engels indirectly influenced the contemporary argument on environmentalism? Discuss.
04. How was the labour movement affected in the political mobilization of Indian origin estate-sector Tamils in Sri Lanka?
05. Examine the role of the "sangha" after the Easter attacks in Sri Lanka.
06. Analyze the importance of active involvement by professionals in social movements towards sustainable development.
07. Analyze the influence of distant communities in shaping the local political realities.
08. Discuss the role of ethnicity-based political parties with reference to social harmony in post war Sri Lanka.
09. Write short notes on four (04) of the followings;
 - a. Elites theory in politics
 - b. Political ecology
 - c. Environmental movement
 - d. Out of Bound (OB) markers
 - e. Diaspora
 - f. Sri Lankan women's Labour Movement