THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA B.Sc/B.Ed. DEGREE PROGRAMME - LEVEL 05 FINAL EXAMINATION 2010/2011 BOTANY



PLANTS AND MAN - BTU 3104/BTE 5104/BTI 5104

DURATION: TWO AND HALF (21/2) HOURS

DATE: 3rd JANUARY 2011

TIME: 1.00 p.m. - 3.30 p.m.

ANSWER ANY FOUR (04) QUESTIONS

- 01. Giving named examples whenever possible, write an essay on the economic importance of the family Fabaceae (Leguminosae) highlighting the characteristics of botanical interest.
- 02. Briefly describe the processes involved in:
 - i). production of black tea
 - ii). preparation of cocoa and chocolate
 - iii). manufacture of beer.
- 03. Write briefly on any two of the following:
 - i). Tropical fruit vegetables
 - ii). Fatty oils from plants
 - iii). Extraction methods of essential oils.
- 04. Write short notes on the following.
 - i). Spices obtained from seeds
 - ii). Fumitories and masticatories of importance in Sri Lanka.
- 05. Give the scientific name and the family of each of the following plants and describe the plants from which economic product/products are produced and discuss the uses of these products.
 - i). Potato
 - ii). Rubber
 - iii). Sugar cane
 - iv). Saffron.
- 06. i). What are plant fibres?
 - ii). List the groups of commercially important plant fibres classified according to the plant part from which they are obtained.
 - iii). Give two examples for each group.
 - iv). Briefly explain the process of extraction of fibres from each plant given in Section (iii) and the economic importance of these fibres.