

The Open University of Sri Lanka Faculty of Engineering Technology Bachelor of Industrial Studies Program

Final Examination-2010/2011



## **AEI 5244 Postharvest Biology and Technology II**

Date

: 06.03.2011

Time

: 1330-1630

Duration

: Three (03) hours

SECTION 2: Answer any four (04) questions.

- 1. a)Briefly explain the need of gathering market information on fresh produces.
- b) Write an essay on "factors to be considered in designing and construction of a pack house for fruits and vegetables.
- 2. a) Briefly discuss three(03) pre-treatments that should be perform before storage of fresh produces.
  - b) Write a small account on storage expectation of fresh produces.
- 3. Write short notes on three (03) of the followings.
- i) Controlled Atmospheric Storage
- ii) Hypobaric storage
- iii) Advantages and disadvantages of on farm storage of grains
- iv) Methods to overcome postharvest losses
- v) Principles of drying and dehydration
- Write an essay on "factors affect on growth of microbes in foods".
- 5. a) Briefly discuss the importance of implementing standards for food products.
  - b) Discuss the principles of quality control in food items.
- "As a developing country we are step behind in producing food products (especially fruits and vegetables) to export market". Critically evaluate this statement using suitable examples.